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Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura

(Circular)

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to Circulate, for the information and guidance of the Collectors the accompanying Copy of a letter from Government, and its enclosures under date the 28th Instant.

(From Mr. Secry 28th July 1812. enclosure)

2d. It will be observed that in future Civil Servants are required to report their arrival at, or departure from their Stations directly to the Civil Auditor.

Fort St. George 30th July 1812.

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit, for your information and guidance, the annexed extract of a letter to the Civil Auditor on the subject of Civil Servants being absent from their Stations.

Fort St. George 28th July 1812.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) D. Hill
Secry to Government

Extract of a letter to the Civil Auditor Dated 28th July 1812.

Para 2d. I am at the same time directed to state that, with the view of diminishing the number of Official communications, the Governor in Council has resolved that the date when any Civil Servant may arrive at a new Station, to which he stands appointed, or may quit his Station on leave of absence, or may return to it shall in future be reported to you directly by the servant in question, and that his allowances shall not be

passed

passed by you in the public Accounts until the prescribed report is received — The period allowed to any Civil Servant for joining a new Station, or for being absent on leave, will in all cases continue to be communicated to you by the Government, for which purpose the necessary reports will be made to the Government by the Boards of Revenue and Trade, when leave of absence is granted to any Revenue or Commercial Servant —

(A true Extract)
(Signed) D. Hill
Secy to Government

Examd.
(Signed) W. Grant

(True Copy & Extract)
(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Depy Secry

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura —

Sir,

I have the honor to forward Accounts of Judicial expences of the Court in this Zillah for the Month of July 1812, and request the amount Star Pagodas 2104.24.65. may be discharged —

Ramnad
31st July 1812

(Signed) Geo. F. Cherry
Regr.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura —

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an account of the Police expence of this Zillah for the Month of July 1812, and request that the amount Star Pagodas 913 and fanams 22 may be discharged —

Ramnad
31st July 1812

(Signed) Geo. F. Cherry
Asst. Magte.

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To the Collector of Madura—

Sir,

I am sorry to be obliged to trouble you again upon the subject of the impediments thrown in the way of Salt Merchants purchasing Salt in the Pans of this District by your Salt Aumeldar in Ramnad—

Notwithstanding the assertion made by him that he had opposed no obstacles to the Merchants resorting to this District for Salt I herewith enclose you fourteen original declarations from people who were in the habits of purchasing Salt here wherein it is not only stated that they have been forcibly compelled by the Salt Aumeldar to discontinue their purchases here, to which effect they have been obliged to give Muchelkas, but that he has besides gone the length of notifying that all Salt purchased in Tinnevelly & carried into Ramnad shall be seized, for which end he has required the aid of the Police as such a proceeding is entirely contrary to the Conditions of the Salt Regulation, and as I am convinced it has been adopted without your knowledge, you will much oblige me by publicly disapproving of it, and I further request that you will furnish me with a copy of your orders upon the occasion to be preserved at the Pans of this District nearest those of Ramnad for the information and encouragement of the Merchants resorting to them.—

Tinnevelly Tencausey }
31st July 1812— }

(Signed) J Hepburn
Collr.

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Madura & Dindigul—

Sir,

Para 1. The Fusly year having expired, I beg to call your attention to the early preparation and despatch of the General Statement of your District for that period—

2d. The only alteration from the Form observed last year which it appears necessary on this occasion to point out to you, is, that instead of adding to the Current Demand in Column 5, the amount of what is termed in other parts of the Statement the petty receipts and transfers, that Column is to contain only the Current Demand of Revenue according to the Demand Collection and Balance of the year - In other respects I request you will conform precisely to the instructions for the formation of the Fusly Statement, which have on former occasions been transmitted for your guidance -

Fort St. George
Account. Genl's Office
31st. July 1812 -

(Signed) Geo. Moore
Depy Acct. General,

To the Collector in Zillah Madura -

Sir,

Having deemed it necessary to apply to the Officer Commanding at Madura, for a Guard to protect, the Amount of the Court Indent for last Month, I have to request, you will be good enough, to inform the Officer Commanding at Madura, when the same may be ready for transmission - as also, to issue orders, that the said treasure may be delivered over to the Guard appointed to escort the same to this place -

Ramnad
1st. August 1812

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Acting Judge & Magte.

To the Collector of the Madura District -

Sir,

I have the honor to report for your information, that the 2d. Battn. 18th. N. Regt. is proceeding by the route of Sheevel-patoor to Madura, and that I expect to enter your District about the 7th. Instant -

I request you will have the goodness to send an intelligent person to accompany the Corps through your territories,

to facilitate the procuring of necessary supplies—

Camp at Sheveghery
3rd August 1812—

(Signed) Er. Boardman Major
S.O. in charge 2d Bn. 10th N. Regt.

To the Collector at Madura—

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, and would immediately furnish the guard required, but the present strength of my Detachment is smaller than usual, and the Duty very considerable; I hope then the delay of three days, will make no material difference to you when the same Guard which I send to Madura for the pay of the Troops, can escort the Treasure hence to that place; as otherwise the absence of both these Guards at the same time would make the duty fall too heavy on the remaining part of the Garrison.

Ramnad 3d August 1812—

(Signed) W. Murray

To the Collector of Madura—

Route—
Terramunglom
Madura
Teramboor
Mellore
Colatoor

Sir,

I have the honor to report my arrival at Verdoopetty with a Detachment Consisting of 200 Men & 100 Bullocks, for which you will be pleased to order the necessary supplies of Rice, Gram and Straw &c. &c. &c. in the different Villages—

Verdoopetty Augt. 3d 1812.

(Signed) S. Leghton Lieut.
Comm. Detacht. 2. of 7th N.I.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura

(Circular)

From Mr. G. Garrow
11th June 1812.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to circulate the enclosed copy of a letter from the Accountant General, and to direct that the necessary attention may be paid to the communication which it contains—

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George
3d Augt. 1812—

Ed.
(Signed) R. Collins.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue-

Sir,

Pursuant to orders received from Government, I have the honor to inform you that Civil Servants intending to proceed to England are henceforth to give to this Office the same intimation of that intention as is at present given to the Civil Auditor, and that they will be required before they are permitted to Embark, to produce the same acquittance from the Accountant General that they now receive from the office of Audit. I beg to request your particular attention to these directions, and that you will cause them to be made known to all Civil Servants attached to the Board of Revenue.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Account^t. General

Fort S^t. George
Account^t. Gen^ls. Office
11th. June 1812

Ex^d.
(Sig^d.) R. Collins

(A true Copy)
(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Dep^y Secr^y

To. Rous Peter Esquire
Collector of Madura-

Sir,

The Fusly year having expired, I have to call your attention to the preparation of the following documents for Fusly 1221.

Statement of Charges.
Abstract of Collections and disbursements.
Statement of Commission due.

In framing the Statement of Charges, you will particularly attend to the directions contained in the late Civil Auditors letter under date 23^d July 1804, and the early transmission of it will expedite the Audit of your Accounts in proportion.

I have to request that the Total of your Fusly Statement with the Balance of Cash on hand on the 12th. July may be carefully examined and found to agree with your Treasury Acc^t.

Account, and that particular care may be taken in inserting the amount in the Columns of Sanction by Government, and the Board of Revenue, and that you will pay attention to the Form sent from this Office.—

Fort St. George
Civil Aud.r's Office
3d. August 1812.

(Signed) J. McDonall
Civil Auditor

To the Collector of Madura.—

Sir,

I have the honor to forward one Rowannah issued from your Zillah and received in the Northern Division of Arcot, in the Month of June 1812 in order that it may be compared with the Register & Return of the Choukeydar in your District.—

Pallamanairee 5th. Augt. 1812.—

(Signed) H. S. Graeme
Coll.r

Revl. Depart.t

To the Collector in the Zillah of Dindegul & Madura

Sir,

(Circular)

Telugoo Regulations
V of 1804
I of 1805
III of 1811.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit for the use of your Office, one Printed Copy of each of the Telugoo Regulations of 1804, 1805 and 1811 noted in the Margin and to desire that you will acknowledge the receipt of them.—

Fort St. George
6th. August 1812.

(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Dep.y Secretary

To the Collector in Dindegul & Madura.—

Sir

(Circular)

From Mr. Hill
4th. Augt. 1812.
with enclosure.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to circulate to the Collectors the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department, transmitting an extract from the proceedings of the Board of Trade, and to desire that they will submit at an early period, their replies to the several queries therein stated, and forward at the same time samples of the Cotton produced in their respective Districts.—

Fort St. George
6th. August 1812.

(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Dep.y Secretary

Exam.d
(Signed) W. Grant

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue-

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you, the annexed extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Trade, and to desire that you will obtain replies from the different Collectors to the queries respecting the Cultivation of Cotton, which are therein stated you will also, as suggested by the Board of Trade, require the Collectors to send samples of the Cotton produced in their Districts-

Fort St. George
4th. August 1812

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedt. Servant
(Signed) D. Hill
Secr to Govt.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Trade - Dated 23d. July 1812-

With a view of ascertaining the real resources of the Peninsula, in the Article of Cotton, and of affording the means of determining on the expediency, of generally extending the cultivation of Cotton, both for China and England, the Board consider it advisable to require reports from Commercial Residents on the following points and to apply to Government, requiring the assistance of the Revenue Collectors in each District to afford all the information they may possess or can obtain on the subject.- Questions-

Is Cotton Cultivated and to what extent in the District of

Is there any Import or Export of the Article from the District-

What is the usual price of Cotton per Candy of 500 pound.

What is the time of Sowing & plucking, and what the usual mode of Cultivation-

Is Bourbon Cotton cultivated in the District? does it grow as luxiantly and is it as productive as Cotton indigenous of the Soil.

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Is the Soil of the District generally calculated for the growth of Cotton.—

What is the rent of land capable of producing Cotton.—

What is the aggregate expense of the Cultivation.—

If the Soil is favorable to the growth of Cotton, what is the best mode of encouraging, and extending its Cultivation.—

Would the Ryots be willing to undertake the Cultivation of Bourbon or Tinnevelly Cotton on the following, or on what Conditions.—

1. That the Company furnish the Seed and make an advance of 1/3^d. of the estimated value of the produce of the land engaged to be Cultivated—

2. That a further 1/3^d. be paid when the plant is well up, and the remaining 1/3^d. on the delivery of the produce, the price to be fixed either at the time of engaging with the Cultivators, or by the market price at the time of delivery.—

Samples (weighing 300 lbs each) of the Cotton produced in the District to be furnished to the Board of Trade.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) D. Hill
Secr^y to Govern^t.

(True Copy & Extract)
(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Dep^y Secretary

Ex^d.
(Sig^d) R^d Collins.

To the Collector at Madura.

Sir,

As the Plan transmitted with your letter dated 21st. February for M^r. Cherry's Ground does not shew the extent & Boundarees of it, which are indispensably necessary before a Grant can can be issued, I request that a separate Plan in a small Scale, shewing the precise form of the Ground, with the measurement in feet on the four sides, the name of the Proprietor, situation and Boundaries, may be forwarded to me, when the application in question shall be recommended to Government.

Madras Collector's Cutcherry
7th. of August 1812.

(Signed) F. W. Ellis
Coll^r. & Reg^r. of Grants.—

To R. Peter Esquire
Collector Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a bill for the allowances of the Vaccine Establishment for the Month of July—

Dindigul 8th Augt. 1812.

(Signed) J. Hastie Asst. Surgeon
Supt. Vacc. Dist. Dindigul

To the Collector of the Madura District—

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you that the Detacht. under my Command Consisting of 1 Company from the 1st. Battn. 5th. Regt. N.I. will enter your District on or about the 14th Inst. and proceed to Quilon by the route of Colatoor, Terumboor, Madura, Verdooputty & Coilputty. I therefore request you will give the necessary orders for the Supply of Provisions, such as Rice, Ghee, Grass &c. &c. &c. and also that you will have the goodness to order a Creditable person to meet & accompany the Detachment thro' your District for the purpose of affording assistance in procuring the same.—

Trichinopoly
Augt. 9th. 1812.

(Signed) R. Guill Lt. 5th. Regt.
Comg. Detacht. 1st. Bn. 5th. Regt. N.I.

To The Collector in Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII of Regulation I. 1812. I have the honor to forward 82 Rowannahs granted by you, and received in this Zillah—

Bahvany 10th Augt. 1812—

(Signed) W. Garrow
Collr.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In Conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII of Regulatn. I 1812. I have the honor to forward 80 Rowannahs granted by you and received in this Zillah—

Bhavany
10th. August 1812.

(Signed) W. Garrow
Collector

Revenue Department

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To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1st. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 1st Instant.—

2. The Board refer you to the letter addressed to you under date the 16th Ultimo, and desire that in submitting your Moyen Zabitah for fusly 1222, you will include in it, the Salt Establishment as proposed in your letter above mentioned.—

3. Under the circumstances stated by you, the Board will not object to the appointment of a Deputy Ameen— They cannot however concur in the Sentiments expressed in the 6th paragraph of your letter, and they direct me to caution you against a blind confidence in any Native Servants— numerous instances of organized fraud have been discovered in the Salt Department, and the Board have too frequently had to notice the Malpractices of those who for a long period had enjoyed the highest situations and an unblemished Character.—

4. Where fraud is so easy and detection comparatively difficult, the Vigilance of a Collector cannot be too constantly exerted, and the Board have therefore directed me to call your attention in a particular manner to my letter of the 10th May last, and to desire an early reply to the orders therein contained, respecting the investigation into the conduct of the Servants in the Salt Department, which has been already too long delayed—

5. The Board continue to consider the separate Salt Cutcherry at Ramnad to be objectionable, and they will therefore expect, that on the occasion of furnishing the Report above adverted to, you will enter into an explanation of the grounds on which you deem its continuance to be advisable—

Fort St. George
10th August 1812.

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

Ex'd. (sig'd) R. Collins

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Number of Rowannahs issued from your Zillah according to the enclosed List, and received in the Province of Tanjour in the Month of July 1812, in order that they may be compared with the Registers & Returns of the different Chokydars in your District.—

Tilliady 13th Augt. 1812—

(Signed) J. Wallace
Coll. of Tanjour

To the Collector of Madura & Dindigul

Sir,

The Board of Trade have been pleased to decide that Ibrahim Saib shall be allowed to send to this factory such quantity of Salt petre as he may have in a state of preparation, at Pylney and the Pollams, in consequence I request the favor of you to give instructions for its being passed, after this has been delivered, he is not to continue the Manufacture of Salt petre in those places, but to confine himself to other parts of the Dindegul District.—

Nagore 13th Augt. 1812.

(Signed) F. Richardson
Comt. Rest.

To the Collector in District of Madura

Sir,

By a recent resolution of Government the annual Reports of the External and Internal Commerce at Frontier Stations are in future to be Compiled in the Office of the Board of Trade—I am therefore directed to request that the Statemts. Commencing from 1st May 1812, which in the letter from the Collector of Sea Customs dated 6th June last you have been requested to furnish may be transmitted to the Board: and, as much importance is attached to the regular transmission of the Reports in question to England, at fixed Periods, the Board particularly request your attention to the enclosed Extract from their Proceed-

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-ings under date 23d April last, and beg that the Quarterly Statements of the Frontier Trade in the District of Madura may be punctually trans-mitted, agreeably to the Form in which you have been requested to prepare the Annual Reports.

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secretary

Office of the R.E.C.
Fort St George 14th Augt 1812 –

Statement Shewing the different Kind, Quantity and Value of all Articles Exported & Imported at the Sea Ports or Frontier Chokies in the Zillah of

Names of the Port or Chokie	Articles	Quantity Imported and Exported during the Year						Value			
		Imported			Exported						
		Measuring	Weighing	Piece Goods	Measuring	Weighing	Piece Goods	Import AR	Whence	Export AR	Whither

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Trade, dated 23d April 1812.

The Reporter of External Commerce shall within as short a space after the close of the Official year as possible, procure from the Col-lector of Sea Customs, and from the Revenue Collectors in Frontier Districts, Quarterly and Annual Reports of External & Internal Trade, in the form noted in the Margin, and shall call upon each Collector to furnish a full report on the state of the Trade in the preceding and Current years Comparatively, and the cause to which he attributes the increase or decrease thereby ascertained – a separate report of the Value of Gold & Silver respectively Exported & Imported, shall at the same time be furnished. – From these Documents, the Reporter shall draw up with all possible care & Accuracy a General Report of the whole External and Internal Commerce of the Peninsula, bearing in mind the directions of the Honble Court of Directors to exhibit only the Total Imports from, and Total Exports to, places beyond the Territories subject to Fort Saint George.

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The accounts must be stated in Arcot Rupees, and the Articles of Bullion or Treasure, distinguished in Gold and Silver, whether Imported or Exported. —

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secretary

To Rous Peter Esquire
Collector of Madura

Sir,

In consequence of your having attained the rank of a Factor on the 25th Ultimo I have to request that you will pay into your Treasury on Account of your Subscription to the Civil Fund from the above date, inclusive at the increased rate attached to your present rank Pag.s 11.19.45 ℔ Month and that you will continue to bring it to account Monthly at the rate until you may be otherwise directed from this Office. —

(Signed) J. McDowall
Civil Auditor

Fort St. George 14th Augt. 1812
Civil Aud.r Office —

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to enclose List of Tickets drawn Prizes in the Second Class of those sold by you, & I have to request that out of the funds in your hands you will pay Prize Tickets that may be presented within 15 days after receipt of this deducting the 10 ℔ Cent as usual, the Balance remaining in your hands after such payment may then be transferred to your public Treasury, and a Bill sent for the amount drawn on the Sub Treasurer in my favor — The prizes paid must be returned to me as Vouchers for which you will have Credit in Account. I now send an open Account to be closed on the final remittance of the Balance in the manner above directed.

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. Govt. Lottery

Fort St. Geo. 14th Augt. 1812 —

P.S. I request that in the reply to this, you will write the Words "First Gov. Lottery of 1812" on the out side Cover of your letter. —

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to transmit the Abstract of Stoppages made in my Office on Account of Native Servants Fund for last Quarter Year. —

Ramnad 15th Augt. 1812. (Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Actg. Judge & Magte.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In Conformity to Clause 9th Section XVII of Regulation I. 1812 I have the honor to forward 17 Rowannahs —

Tinnevelly 15th Augt. 1812. (Signed) John G. Turnbull
Acting Collector

To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura

Sir,

(…lar) Para 1st. I am directed by the Board of Revenue, to desire that in transmitting the Statements called for in the letter under date the 7th May last, the Collector's will forward a Memorandum shewing in Abstract the Actual Sayer Collections and Charges for Fusly 1221 and the ℘centage of the latter upon the former also the Estimated Revenue and Charges for Fusly 1222 and the proportion which the proposed Charges bear to the Estimated Revenue, with Columns of Increase and Decrease, shewing the difference between the ℘centage for the two years in question. —

2d. Such Collector's as have already reported on the introduction of the New Custom Regulations will forward the Memorandum in question in a separate letter, and those who have not yet replied to the Circular letter of the 7th May last are required to do so at their earliest convenience. —

Fort St. George 17th August 1812 — (Signed) A. D. Campbell
Depy. Secretary

Ed. (Sig.) W. Grant

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Madura & Dindigul.

Sir,

I beg leave to remind you that your Accounts for the Month of July are not yet received at this Office, and to request that they may be forwarded without delay.—

Fort St. George 10th Augt. 1812 }
Account. Genl's Office — }

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Acct. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

On receipt of this letter I request you will take the requisite steps for having transported to the Collector of Trichinopoly a Remittance to the Amount of Sixty Thousand Star Pagodas, forwarding on the occasion the usual advices to this office & to Mr. Travers.—

Fort St. George 10th Augt. 1812 }
Account. Genl's Office — }

(Signed) Geo. Garrow.
Acct. General

Revenue Department

To the Collector in the Zillah of
Dindigul & Madura.

(Circular)

Sir
Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to desire that the information required in the Circular letter of the 17th Instant may be furnished in the form herewith transmitted.—

2d. I am directed farther to desire that it may be furnished with the least possible delay.—

Fort St. George }
10th August 1812 }

(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Dep. Secry.

Statement shewing the Actual Collections of the Land Customs, with the Actual Charges for Fusly 1221, and the Estimated Collections & Estimated Charges for Fusly 1222.

1 Names of the Districts.	2 Actual Collection in Fusly 1221.	3 Actual Charges in Fusly 1221	4 Centage of Actual Charges on the Actual Collections of Fusly 1221	5 Estimated Collections of Fusly 1222	Estimated Charges for Fusly 1222	7 Centage of Estimated charges on the Estimated Collections of Fusly 1222	Difference between Column 3 and 6.	Difference of Centage between Colls. 4 & 7.

Examd.
(Signed) W. Grant

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To the Collector in Madura

Sir,

The Board have not as yet decided on the reference made to them by me on the subject of the levy of the duties in Madura on the Tobacco which may be prepared there by my Agents - To prevent any delay however I have sent them for the purpose of making purchases wherein the Article may be of the best Quality and most reasonable - From the Scrutiny however that were lately made by your orders for the purpose of affording me the information regarding the Quantity & price (of which I beg here to acknowledge the receipt) I have been informed that an impression prevails that a restriction was intended as to the Sale of what is on hand, if that be the case, I shall be obliged by your declaring the Sales to be free by which means I shall find less difficulty in procuring the Article. -

From the very high prices of the Tobacco in the Madura District, and the heavy rates of charge to Mangalore, where Mr. Read wishes me to deliver it at 13½ Pagodas. I find it impossible to supply Canara with the Tobacco from your Talooks and have recommended the substitution of some Coimbatore Tobacco of similar Quality for this purpose as I can furnish that at Mr. Reads rates -

It will be necessary however to procure a large quantity & all of the best sort from you for the use of Malabar and Cochin, and as it is possible to obtain it cheaper & with less trouble by contract than by strict purchase, I have recommended the measure to the Board of Revenue. In either case, until the Board have decided on the subject of the customs, I shall be obliged by your postponing the collection on the spot (on account of the exports being kept your servants) and I will if necessary give you credit for the amount which will answer every purpose of the Collection -

(Signed) W. Garrow
Collector

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19th August 1812

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To the Collector in Dendigul & Madura -

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit to you the accompanying original petition from the Vakeel of the Zameendar of Shevagunga -

2d The prayer of the Petition, so far as it relates to the use of Badges by the Zameendars peons, you will observe, is inadmissible under Clause Sixth, Section IX Regulation III A.D. 1810; but the Board apprehend that there can be no objection to his entertaining peons armed with Swords - The Board indeed conceive that armed peons must in many cases form a necessary part of a large Zameendars Establishment -

3. You are therefore directed to communicate with the Magistrate on this subject, and if he should object to the Zameendar's entertaining a small party of Peons armed with swords you will report the circumstance for the information of the Board in order that the matter may be submitted for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

(Signed) Wm Oliver
Secretary

Fort St George
19th August 1812

To the Honble the President and Members of the Board of Revenue -

The humble address of Veera Pillay Vakeel to Moottoo Vezia Ragoonad Goury Vullabah Peria woodia Tavor Zemindar of Shevagunga District

As there was much trouble in our District by Robbers or Cullars on the Road in carrying the Peshcush money to the Collectors Cutcherry in consequence of which Mr Parish has ordered 30 Swords with Belt and also 30 Badges to the Peons of our Rajah, therefore the Money was Collected from the Country and

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the engagement was fulfilled according to Peshcush a few days before the Police Darogah, has ordered us not to use the Badge as it being contrary to the order of the Honorable Government our Countries are infested with Callars again, Wherefore you will be pleased to issue orders that we may use the Swords & Badge; that the Police Peons may not intermeddle with our Rajahs Peons for conveying money to the Collrs Cutcherry in order to fulfill the Peshcush by which the Hon'ble Company will never meet with any trouble and loss but advantages.—

I hope wherefore you will pass your Order as was hitherto observed. By doing which act of Indulgence would bind your most humble addressor.— Ever to Pray

(Signed) [illegible]

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In Conformity to Clause 9th Section XVII of Regulation I 1812, I have the honor to forward 144 Rowannahs granted by you and received at the Choukees of Trichinopoly in the Month of July last.—

(Signed) Geo. F. Travers
Collector

Trichinopoly
20th August 1812.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura.

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to transmit, the Acct. Particulars of Batta to Prisoners, for the Year 1811/12, alluded to in my letter, under date the 25th July last.—

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Acting Magistt.

Ramnad
21st August 1812.

To the Collector in Dindegul & Madura.

Sir,

Para 1. With reference to the Circular letter under date the 29th April last, I am directed to state for general information, that some modification of the orders therein contained has been considered necessary, respecting the acknowledgements to be granted for duties on goods belonging to the Commissariat Department.—

By

2. By that communication it was directed that the Collectors should furnish their Chokeydars with acknowledgements in a prescribed form to be signed at the Chokey by the person in charge of the Commissariat supplies, and that upon this acknowledgement being signed, the usual Rowannah should be issued as if the duties had been paid — I am now directed to explain, for your information and guidance that for the future the acknowledgements in the prescribed form in question are to be issued by the Commissariat Officers themselves, by whom these documents are to be issued to the persons in charge of supplies — you will, therefore, recall and destroy all those in possession of your Chokeydars, and you will give Circular instructions for the issue of the usual Rowannah on the production by the person in charge of supplies of an acknowledgement signed by the Commissariat Officer similar in form to that hitherto issued at the Chokies. —

3. The acknowledgements for which Rowannahs are thus to be exchanged will continue to be transmitted to you by your Chokedars, and by you to the Commissariat officers, as directed in the concluding paragraph of the Circular letter under date the 29th April last, which also prescribes the mode in which the duties are to continue to be adjusted. —

Fort St. George }
22d August 1812 }

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary
Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura —

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 12th May last, — reporting on a Petition addressed to the Board by a person na-
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named Epon Sing.—

2^d. On reference to the original correspondence it appears, that on the father of this Man prosecuting the Bramins of the Sho-lavandan Chuttrum for the Amount of a bond the parties Agreed to settle the matter by paying the sum of Pagodas 1114. 20. 12, in dispute to the Plaintiff out of the money belonging to the dependants" in de-posit in the Circar Treasury" and that the Court confirmed their Rauzenamah and granted a decree to this effect.—

From M^r. Parish 23^d. Feby. 1807.

3. M^r. Parish in forwarding this decree to the Board explained that owing to the irregularity in the payment of Pagoda and Charitable Allowances during the Native Government, many of the Chuttrums &^ca. were supported by the private credit of the Officiating Bramins—the Board were left to conclude that this was the case in the instance under consideration—and M^r. Parish recommends the payment of the sum before mentioned, out of the surplus revenue derived, since the general assump-tion of the Pagoda &^ca. lands, from the particular lands former-ly attached to the Chuttrum in question and founds this recom-mendation on the specific ground that the "Money borrowed was "for the purpose of carrying on the Ceremonies of the Chuttrum "where people are fed daily at the public expense.—

4. The Board see no reason from your Report to alter their opinion that the Decree was obtained on false grounds and that there seems much reason to suspect Collusion on the part of the persons concerned in the suit—the Pagoda &^ca. lands having been commuted for a fixed money payment—any surplus revenue derived from them after the communication was effected must be considered to be the exclusive property of Government; to admit any Claim to any excess of this sort, on the part of the Officers attached to these establishments, would be to annul the commutation and to revert to the former System of granting

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to these establishments the gross revenue whatever might be the Amount.—

To Mr. Parish 14th May 1807.

5. As it appeared that it was the profit which Government had thus derived from the lands formerly attached to the Chuttrum in question which the Bramins represented to the Court as their money "in deposit in the Cutcherry" the Board were averse to the payment of the sum in question, and as it would now appear from your letter that the money was borrowed not for the purpose supposed by Mr. Parish but "to discharge the Poroopoo paid to Government annually" and that the Bramins instead of supporting the Charity from their own private Credit had the immediate management of the Chuttrum lands, the Board have no hesitation in pronouncing the Claim entirely unfounded for these lands since their resumption after the payment of the Poroopoo and all expenses have produced a considerable profit to Government — it is to be presumed that they may have been nearly as productive under the Management of the Bramins and at all events supposing the produce to have been deficient the lands being in their possession they could have no further claim upon the Circar; it was their duty in the first place to have paid the poroopoo, and to have expended the remainder only on account of the Pagoda — and if the Revenue was so squandered away as to reduce them to the necessity of borrowing to discharge the Poroopoo the Board are at a loss to conceive under what pretence they could hope to obtain from the Circar the payment of the bond granted by them on this account — the Board have accordingly acquainted Esson Sing that his representation cannot be attended to.—

6. The Board direct me to state that in a case where the result of your enquiries has been much the reverse of that of your predecessor's it would have been desirable that you

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should have entered more into the particulars of the case, than you have done in the letter to which I now reply.—

7. You have been already directed to report generally upon the Pagoda and Chuttrum allowances, upon which subject the information in possession of the Board is defective.—

Fort St. George 24th Augt. 1812. (Signed) W. Oliver Secretary

To the Collector of Madura & Dindigul.

Sir,

The Board of Trade having informed me that they have applied to Government for instructions to the different Collrs. to afford every information in their power respecting the Cultivation and produce of Cotton in their respective Districts, I transmitted in consequence a list of a few Queries relating to this subject to which I request the favor of your reply.—

Nagore 24th August 1812. (Signed) J. Richardson Coml. Resid.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Trade, Dated 23d. July 1812.—

With a view of ascertaining the real resources of the Peninsula in the article of Cotton and of affording the means of determining on the expediency of generally extending the Cultivation of Cotton both for China & England the Board consider it advisable to require reports from Commercial Residents on the following points, and to apply to Govt. requesting the assistance of the Revenue Collectors in each District to afford all the information they may possess or can obtain on the subject.—

Questions. Is Cotton Cultivated and to what extent in the District of Madura & Dindigul.—

Is there any Import or Export of the article from the District.—

What is the usual price per Candy of 500 pound

What is the time of sowing & plucking and what the usu-al mode of Cultivation.—

Is Bourbon Cotton cultivated in the District—does it grow as luxuriantly and is it as productive as Cotton endegenous of the Soil.—

Is the Soil of the District generally calculated for the growth of Cotton—

What is the rent of land capable of producing Cotton

What is the aggregate expence of the Cultivation.

If the Soil is favorable to the growth of Cotton what is the best mode of encourageing and extending its Cultivation.—

Would the Ryots be willing to undertake the Cultivation of Bourbon and Tinnevelly Cotton on the following or on what conditions.—

1. That the Company furnish the seed and make an advance of ⅓ of the estimated value of the produce of the land engaged to be Cultivated.—

2. That a further ⅓ be paid when the plant is well up and the remaining ⅓ on the delivery of the produce of the price to be fixed either at the time of engageing with the Cultivators or by the market price at the time of delivery.—

Samples (weighing 300 to each of the Cotton produced in the District to be furnished to the Board of Trade.—

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J Gwatkin
Secretary

(A true Extract)
(Signed) F. Richardson
Comm.r Resident

To The Worshipful Will.m Petree Esq.r
President &ca Members of the Board of Revenue

The humble Representation of M. Moottoocur. Pandaram a Servant of Sadoopatte the Rajah of Ramnad—

That from the rise of Sadoopatte the Rajah of Ramnad in Rama-suram, as it had been customary with his Successors to this time to build a Chapel over the place where the Body of every deceased Rajah is burnt and place a Lingam therein by employing a Man at the Monthly Pay of (10) ten Ponnoo or Gold Coins of that Country to perform Poojah or Religious rite, So it hath been lately the pleasure of the Natchimars or Widows of late Rajah, died some time ago in this Presidency, to employ me in the performance of Poojah these forty three Months of the Rajahs death, they paid me six Months wages, as long as they staid in this Place, and I continue performing the Poojah twice a day to Lingam to this day afterwards I asked the deceased Rajahs' Servants who have been here, the payment of my Wages, but they did not pay it, to demand the payment of it from the said Natch-imars or Widows, they live at a greater distance I could not with propriety leave the performance of Poojah and go out of this place, Now as all is ceded to the Hon'ble Company they cared no more in this business — Therefore what mostly concerns me to request your Worship &ca is that you will be pleased to order the present reigning Rajah for restoring me the Wa-ges due to me, these thirty seven Months and to build a Chapel according to Custom, on the place where the deceased Rajahs body was burnt in this place, I further beg you will deliver me from the troubles I labour under of having contrac-ted debts on account of buying things necessary for the use of the Chapels upon the assurance they will however pay me my wages — I have no other aid and your Representator as in duty bound — Shall ever Pray. [illegible]

Noted on the back of the Petition —

The Board of Revenue cannot receive Petitions in the first instance — The Petitioner must address the Collector.

By order of the Board of Revenue —

Madras
24th August 1812 }

(Signed) Wm Oliver
Secretary

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Madura and Dindigul.

Sir,

I request your reference to the clause of the Audit Regulations which prescribes that all the Accounts Current of Collectors shall be prepared in Demy paper, and that you will conform to that order, as your use of another sort of paper occasions inconvenience.—

Fort St. George 25th. Augt. 1812
Accountt. Genl's Office—

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Acct. Genl.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura.

Sir,

Para 1. In a letter to the Board of Revenue under date the 8th. July 1811 you enclosed copy of a letter from the Judge and Magistrate in the Zillah of Madura calling upon you to reimburse to the Zillah Court the amount of two bills for batta paid to prisoners confined at the instance of the Collector since 1807—

2. That letter you have forwarded without any explanation, and merely with a request that you may be authorized to make the disbursement to which it refers— The Board are at a loss to know why the Judge should require you to reimburse the amount of Batta, which must have been already paid and carried to account, and which the Board presume must have been advanced in the first instance, by the Collr to the Court,— The Board conclude that an Account Current is kept by the Collector with the Court, and that all that is now required is that the amount of the Batta should be adjusted, for which purpose it does not appear that any reference to the Board can be necessary.—

3. Should however the disbursement have been made by the Judge from other funds and the account be correct the Board desire you will fully explain the circumstance,

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when Sanction will be obtained for the disbursement.—

4 The amount of Batta paid to Revenue Defaulter's the Board apprehend is in some cases recovered, on the release of the parties from confinement; but as it is necessary that every disbursement made from the Treasury of a Collector, should be authorized, the Board desire that you will hereafter provide for the charge in question in your annual estimates under the head of "Charges Extraordinary."—

Fort St. George
25th. August 1812.}

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir,

Herewith you will receive 50 Lottery Tickets of the first Class to be disposed of at the usual rate of 10 Pagodas per Ticket.— The drawing of the first Class being fixed for 1st. October; I have to request that any unsold Tickets may be returned so as to reach Madras two days before that period.— Should there appear to you a prospect of disposing of more than the number now sent, I have to request a early communication.—

Fort St. George
25th. August 1812.}

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. Govt. Lottery

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura—

Sir,

Having occasion to remit to the Zillah Court of Tinnevelly the sum of Twenty seven Star Pagodas, Twenty eight fanams, Twenty two Cash, on account of fees due to Pleaders in that Court, I have to request, you will be good enough to forward me a draft on the Revenue Treasury at Tinnevelly, for the above amount, in favor of the Register of the Zillah Court at Tinnevelly— when Credit will be given you for the said amot. in the Court's Indent for next Month.—

Zillah Court
Ramnad 25th. Augt. 1812.}

(Signed) W.O. Shakespear
Acting Judge

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To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge, the receipt of your letter, under date 24th Instant together with its enclosures — and in reply thereto, beg leave to state, that I see no objections whatever to the Shevagunga Rajah's entertaining a small body of armed peons, provided, that such persons, previous to carrying arms, in the District, do appear personally at the Magistrates Office and receive a Dustack to that effect. —

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Acting Magte.

Magistrate's Office
Ramnad 26th Augt. 1812.

To Rous Peter Esqre.
Collector of Madura —

Sir,

Perceiving that Mr. Long's allowances as Judge & Magistrate of Madura have been drawn in the Judicial Indent Monthly, I have to request you will refer to the Minutes of Council dated 8th November 1808 and cause one half thereof to be refunded for the period exceeding two Months from his quitting Madura until the expiration of four Months from the date of his leave 4th February 1812 — from the 4th June they must cease entirely, it being considered a rule of the Service with respect to Civil Servants absent without leave or beyond the period for which it was granted —

Retrenchments will be made accordingly in the Audit of your Accounts and in the mean time I request you will acknowledge the receipt of this letter —

(Signed) J. McDonall
Civil Auditor

Fort St. George
Civil Audrs. Office
26th August 1812 —

To the Collector of the Madura District —

Sir,

Having arrived with the 2d Battalion 10th N. Regt. at Veratoor which I understand is the last Village under

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your authority in the route the Corps is Marching, it becomes a pleasing part of my duty to make known to you that both the Officers and Men under my Command are exceedingly well pleased with the great attention they have met with in passing through your District—

The Duffadars whom you sent to accompany the Corps have conducted themselves very much to my satisfaction, and are now sent back to you—

Camp at Veeraloor
26th August 1812—

(Signed) Edm Boardman Major
S.O. in Charge 2d Bn 10th N.Reg

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul—

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Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Honorable the Governor in Council, has been pleased to appoint Robert Alexander Esquire to be Senior Member and John Hodgson Esqre to be Second Member of the Board of Revenue.—

Fort St George
27th August 1812

(Signed) Wm Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura—

Sir,

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Para 1st Although the Commitment of each Revenue Defaulter to Jail is agreeably to the Regulations notified to the Board of Revenue at the time of its occurrence, the Board consider it to be proper that more distinct information, as to the number and cases of Revenue Defaulters should be periodically brought to their notice

2d The Board therefore direct that returns according to the enclosed forms be submitted quarterly, of all defaulters confined in Jail, and of the casualties that may have occurred subsequently to the transmission of the previous quarterly return— these Statements will be submitted on the 1st January 1st April, 1st July and 1st October of each year.—

Fort St George
27th August 1812

(Signed) Wm Oliver
Secretary

Report of Casualties, and of Revenue Defaulters released from the 31st Decr 1811 to 31st March 1812 in the Zillah of

No. and Names of the Defaulters.	From whence the arrear is due.	Amount arrear	When confined	When released	When deceased
		S.P. f c			

Quarterly Return of Revenue Defaulters Confined in the Jail of the Zillah of

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. and Name of the Defaulter	Date of Commit-ment to Jail	Whence the arrear is due	Amount of original arrear Principal & Interst	Amount paid or liquidated from assets since the Confinemt. of the Defaulter	Present Demand	Remarks
			S.P. f c	S.P. f c	S.P. f c	

Exam'd (Sig'd) W. Grant

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Zilla Ramnad-

Sir,

(Circular) Para 1. I am directed to communicate, for your information and guidance, the following standing rules which the Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to adopt.—

2. At all stations which the Naval Commander in Chief may have occasion to visit, His Excellency is to be receive with the Military honours due to his rank—

3. The Magistrates & Collectors are to wait upon His Excellency immediately after his arrival at the ports at which they may be stationed, and are to afford him any assistance which he may require—

4. The Master Attendants at the different ports are to wait upon His Excellency and receive such orders connected with their Department as His Excellency may see fit to issue—

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Fort St. George }
20th August 1812 }

I am Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) D. Hill
Secr. to Govt.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

Para 1st. On the 20th of May last you reported to this Office that your Gross Collections in that Month were likely to be reduced in the Sum of Pagodas 51,686; which would have had the effect of reducing the Collections to Pagodas 1,960 (the Original Estimate having been Pags. 53,646) whereas, there appeared by the Accounts of that Month to have been actually realized Pagodas 36,236. —

2d. On the 20th of June you stated that the Collections of that Month were likely to be reduced below the Original Estimate in the Sum of Pagodas 28,338, leaving the Probable Collections at Pagodas 7291: whereas, they actually realized by account Pagodas 35,520. —

3d. In last Month you Calculated on a Deficit of Pagodas 1043 leaving the probable Collection at Pagodas 8883; whereas they produced Pagodas 39,314. —

4th. For the present Month you have stated that your Gross Collections are likely to be decreased in the Sum of about Ten thousand Pagodas, but as your reports of former Months have differed so greatly from the Actual results, it is not practicable to place dependance on the Estimate of this Month. —

5th. As the transmission of reports so vague, entirely defeats the object for which they are intended, I have to request that you will either discontinue these communications or give a better attention to the subject —

Fort St. George }
Accountt. Genl's Office }
28th August 1812 — }

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Acct. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura –

Sir. I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th Instant, stating that your Treasury will not admit of a larger remittance to Trichinopoly than 40,000 Pagodas –

The grounds upon which a remittance of 60,000 Pagodas was ordered to be sent, were as follows –

Your Balance by account of July on the 1st of this Month was Pagodas .... 242,832 –

The estimated Surplus Collections in this Month, Septr. Octr. & Novr., have been estimated by you at Pagodas .... 8,808.

		251,640.

The Demands, besides the District Charges already provided for from the Gross Collections, expected in the course of the same period were.

Remittance to Madras	150,000.	
" Trichinopoly	60,000.	
Military Bills arranged at 7,000 Pags. ℔ Month	20,000.	230,000

which would leave a Balance at the end of Novr. of 13,640 –

The Nett Collections of December have been estimated by you at the Sum of 38,461 Pagodas, a Supply that would very abundantly furnish your Treasury thence forward –

It will appear from the foregoing explanation that upon every fair ground of calculation which your own Estimates afforded, your Treasury ought to have been able to supply the Remittance at first directed to be sent – And should you on further consideration, find it practicable to despatch to Trichinopoly the residue of what was expected, I request you will forward it as early as possible, as owing to the dependance placed in your Remittance the Trichinopoly Treasury will otherwise be straitened in Funds –

Fort St. George 31st Augt. 1812
Accountt. Genl.'s Office –

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Acct. Genl.

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To the Collector of the Madura District

Sir,

I continue my March tomorrow morning from this place, with a Detachment escorting Treasure - and not being exactly acquainted with the limits of your District, I must beg you to send a respectable Officer to meet the Detachment on entering it, for the purpose of conveying them thro' it, leaving to your judgement, the probable time I may arrive by regular marches -

Shaddy Cawns Choultry }
31st August 1812 - }

(Signed) Alexr. Cowan Lieut.
Comg. Detacht. 1st Bn. 17th Regt. N.I.

Revenue Depart.

To the Collector in the Zilla of Dindegul &ca.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you, that the Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to resolve that no duty shall be charged on Tobacco supplied on acct. of Government to the districts of Coimbatore, Canara, or Malabar, either by actual levy, or by a transfer in Account - any former orders authorizing the charge of duty on these supplies are therefore hereby revoked, and the Board desire that Maufee Rowannahs be issued for all Tobacco purchased by the Officers of Government on account of the three Districts abovementioned. -

Fort St. George }
31st August 1812. }

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura -

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an Account of the Police expence of this Zillah, for the Month of August 1812, and request that the amount Star Pagr. 913, and fanams 22 may be discharged.

Ramnad 31st Augt. 1812 -

(Signed) Geo. F. Cherry
Asst. Magte.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura -

Sir,

I have the honor to forward accounts of Judicial expences of the Court in this Zillah for the Month of August 1812, and request that the amount Star Pagr. 2173.44.34 may be discharged

Ramnad 31st Augt. 1812 -

(Signed) Geo. F. Cherry
Register

Revenue Department

To the Collector in the Zillah of Dindegul & Madura

Sir,

(Circular) N.° 1. Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit to you the enclosed form, according to which, you will in future prepare the Statement of goods recommended for confiscation of each Month.—

2. You will transmit this Statement as soon as possi[ble] after the conclusion of each Month, and for the Month of July you will forward two Statements one to the 12th the other from that date to the 31st in order that these Statements may correspo[nd] with the fusly year.—

3. In recommending the Share to be granted to in-formers, you will be guided by the particular circumstances attending each seizure, but you will perceive that where there is no informer, the Officer making the seizure, is entitled to half the net proceeds, the full amount of the Government dut[y] having been previously deducted.—

4. In the column of remarks the Board desire that you will enter into a full explanation of the circumstances of each case, and I am directed to take this occasion, to caution the Collectors against recommending any goods for confiscation except upon the fullest enquiry, for though it is no doubt their duty to uphold the Revenue by punishing frauds upon the Customs, yet where such great inducements are held out to the Native Officers it is no less incumbent upon them to prevent acts of injustice or oppression to which the system affords considerable temptation and which can only be guarded against by the strict-est attention in the investigation of the grounds of each seizur[e]

5. As the Assistants to Collectors will be allowed a share of the property confiscated they may be often usefully em-ployed in investigating Complaints or informations on this sub-

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and in examining on the spot the conduct of Chokeydars or others entrusted with the collection of this branch of Revenue.—

6. You will make a special reference to the Board whenever the Estimated value of any seizure exceeds Rupees 100 or when other particular circumstances may render it requisite and you will continue to dispose of perishable articles without waiting for the authority of the Board—but you will be careful to enter every Article whatever in the Monthly Statement and no division of the proceeds is to take place until you have received the specific Sanction of the Board.—

No. 2. 7. I am also directed to enclose form of a Statement to be furnished by you quarterly Vizt. on the 31st. March, 12th July 30th Sept. and 31st. December.—

8. You will thence observe that the Board intend to propose to Government that after the payment of the Government duties and the Shares of the informer, and of the Officer making the seizure, the remaining proceeds of confiscated goods shall be divided in the proportion of 2/3rd. to the Collector and 1/3d to the Senior Assistant—where there is no Assistant the whole will belong to the Collector.—

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George
31st. August 1812

Statement of Goods recommended for confiscation for the Month of ———

Quantity & description of goods recommended for confiscation	Estimated Value	Share recommended to be granted to the informer	Share recommended to be granted to the Officer making the seizure	Detailed remarks stating when, upon whom, and at what time the goods were seized with other particulars.
	Pags. f. c.			

(Signed) W. Grant

Statement shewing the distribution of the proceeds of Articles confiscated during the quarter ending as Sanctioned by the Board of Revenue under date the

No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	No. 7.
Account Sales confiscated goods during this quarter	Government duties.	Share of the Informer.	Share of the Officer making the Seizure.	Share of the Collector at 2/3 of the remainder	Share of the Head Assist. at 1/3. of the remainder	Total Corresponding with Columns
Pags. f. c.	Pags. f. c.	Pags. f. c.	Pags. f. c.	Pags. f. c.	Pags. f. c.	Pags. f. c.

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2. In submitting the Estimates for the current year as directed in my letter of the 16th July last, you will forward an Abstract Statement, in the first Column of which you will enter the Estimates for Fusly 1221, as specified in the Statement No. 16 returned in my letter above mentioned, you will in the next Column insert the Actual Charges for those items only which are entered in the Estimates. - You will then shew the Increase and decrease, and to the whole you will annex a Column of remarks, containing such information as may enable the Board to procure the Sanction of Government for the excess (if any) above the Estimates. -

3. If there are any Charges not provided for in your Estimates for which the Sanction of the Board is necessary, you will enter them in a separate Statement and you will explain in the fullest manner the circumstances under which they were incurred. -

4. The Statements enclosed in your letter to which I now reply, contain many Charges of which the Board have no knowledge and with which they have no concern such as "Judicial Charges" "Military Department" "advances to different Departments" &ca. I am therefore directed to return them to you enclosed, their transmission to the Board being unnecessary. -

Fort St. George
3d. September 1812

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

In Conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII of Regulation I, 1812. I have the honor to forward 68 Rowannahs. -

Tinnevelly Tencausey
3d. September 1812 -

(Signed) J. Hanbury
Hd. Asst. Colln. in charge

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a number of Rowannahs issued from your Zillah according to the enclosed List, and received in the Province of Tanjour in the Month of Augt. 1812, in order that they may be compared with the registers and

Returns of the different Chokydars in your District.

Cutcherry of the Collector of Tanjour 4th Sept. 1812 } (Signed) J. Wallace Colltr. of Tanjour

To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura.

Sir,

(Circular.) Para 1. In a Circular letter under date the 14th Novem. last, the Board of Revenue called upon the several Collectors to report as to the expediency of adopting generally, certain suggestions submitted by the Collectors in the Southern Division of Arcot, Coimbatore, and Tanjore for the improvement of the inland communication throughout these provinces.

2d. On a subject of so much importance, the Board regret that they should have occasion to recal the attention of the Collectors to their orders; but as with a few exceptions, the communication alluded to above continues unanswered, the Board direct me to desire that you will give the subject your earliest attention, and that you will submit without delay your sentiments upon the several points which it involves for the consideration of the Board.

Fort St. George 3d. Septem. 1812 } (Signed) Wm. Oliver Secretary

To the Collector of the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

As that portion of the Jurisdiction of this Zillah which is composed of the Southern Pollams, is included within the range of the Collectorate subordinate to your Authority, I beg leave to solicit your aid and assistance in affording me the fullest information in your power, as far as connected with those Pollams, on the several subjects of enquiry contained in the Circular letter of the Chief Secretary to Govt. dated the 28th Novemr. 181[illegible] a Copy of which I have the honor herewith to transmit.

Vide Enclosure from the Board of Revr. dated July 1817.

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It appearing to be the intention of Government to concentrate information to the greatest extent attainable on every point comprehended in the desired investigation with the view, on a deliberate consideration of the whole, to frame, and establish an efficient general system of internal Police for the preservation of the peace, the prevention, and detection of crimes, in the Provinces under this Presidency, I am very solicitous to be favored with a communication of any suggestions that your local Knowledge and experience will enable you to contribute, in the promotion of an object of such universal and extreme importance, at the same

Paras. 1.4.5.9.10.11.12. 15.16.&19. time I would wish to draw your attention to the Paras. of the above Letter noted in the Margin as they contain those points respecting which I particularly depend on you for information. —

Coimbatore
3d. September 1812.

(Signed) J. J. Savory
Magistrate

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Receipt in duplicate for Star Pagodas Thirty eight thousand, two hundred & fifty, received into this Treasury from the remittance made from your district on the 25th Ultimo.

The Rejected Coins being one thousand, seven hundred and fifty Pagodas have been delivered to the Shroff & Guard which accompanied the remittance from Madura. —

Trichinopoly 5th. Sept. 1812.

(Signed) Geo. F. Travers
Collr.

Invoice of Coins received from the remittance made by the Collector of Madura to the Treasury of the Trichinopoly Division —

Coins	Number	Rate	Amount
Star Pagodas	12,442	@100 pr. % St. Ps.	12442 .. ..
Portonovo Pagodas	7,140	@120 pr. ditto	5950 .. ..
Silver half Pagodas	12,000	@200 pr. ditto	6000 .. ..
ditto Quarter ditto	15,936.	@400 pr. ditto	3984 .. ..
Rupees	17,269.	@350 pr. ditto	4934 .. ..
Madras fanams	222,300.	@4500 pr. ditto	4940 .. ..
		Star Pagodas	38250 .. ..

Trichinopoly
5th. Sept. 1812.

E. E. (Sigd.) Geo. F. Travers
Collr.

Received the above Amt. into the Treasy. under my Charge

Similar to the foregoing in Duplicate —

Revenue Department

To the Collector in the Zilla of Dindigul & Madura.

Sir,

Para 1. With reference to your letter under date the 31st Jan, applying for Copy of the Map of the Collectorate under your Charge, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that application has been made to the Board by the Acting Surveyor General for the Map of the province of Dindigul proper, which does not appear to have been transmitted to this Office — the Board desire that you will report at your earliest convenience, whether there exists in your Cutcherry any Map of Dindigul — and if so, at what period, and by whom it was executed, and whether a Copy of it was ever transmitted to the Board. —

2. When the Board shall receive your reply to this reference, your letter abovementioned will be submitted to Govt. —

3. The Board are aware that there is a Map of the Province of Madura including the Pollams of Dindigul and Manapara (executed by Johnson and other Assistant Surveyors); but they have some reason for supposing that there is also in the Cutcherry a Map of Dindigul executed shortly after the Province came under the Company's Government. —

Fort St. George
7th September 1812

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary
Revd. Depart.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Dindigul &ca.

Sir,

(Circular) Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to desire that the Collectors will submit on the 11th July and 31st December of each year a circumstantial report of the manner in which their Assistant or Assistants have been employed during the preceding six Months. —

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2. It is the anxious wish of the Board that the Junior Revenue Servants should be more usefully employed than there is reason to believe has in some instances been customary — it is a duty which the Collectors owe to the service to endeavour to render their Assistants qualified for those Offices which will hereafter devolve upon them, and though the task may impose some additional labour, the Board expect that exertions tending to an object so desirable will be cheerfully afforded by every Collector. —

3. Though the Assistants may be very usefully employed in the Sayer or Salt Departments (to which indeed their attention is especially due, since they derive a Commission upon the Revenue) it is not the wish of the Board that their attention should be exclusively directed to these branches — the Board are desirous that they should be made acquainted with the general business transacted in the District, in which they are stationed and with this view you will direct their particular attention to the correspondence with the Talooks, and with the Board which should invariably be communicated to them and which they should when not more importantly engaged be employed in abstracting for the compilation of the Diary — the Board likewise expect that one of the Assistants where there may be more than one, shall at all times accompany the Collector when on Circuit, unless the Collector shall consider that such Assistant can be more useful on deputations to some other part of the Collectorate. —

4. The Board direct me to observe that it is the practice of some Collectors when their Assistants have obtained a competent Knowledge of the Native language to place them in charge of one or more Talooks in order to give them an opportunity of learning particularly the duties of a Collector, a mode of instructing Assistants much approved of by the Board and very creditable to those Collectors who have adopted the practice.

5. To such of the Collectors as have not at present any

Assistant attached to them these orders cannot of course be immedia-tely acted upon; but they are circulated generally in as much as tha[t] they have general application.—

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George
7th. Septemr. 1812.

To the Collector of Madura.—

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of [the] 31st. Ultimo and in compliance with your desire I now send Fifty Lottery Tickets to be Sold at 10 Pagodas each.—

Fort St. George
8th. Septemr. 1812.

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. Govt. Lottery

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura.—

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to ackno-ledge the receipt of your letter dated the 9th. Ultimo, and to tran-smit to you the enclosed extract from a Correspondence with Government on the subject.—

Extract from Para 2. to 5. To the Chief Secy to Govt. dated 25th Augt. 1812.
Extract of a letter from Chief Secy to Govt. dated 4th. Sept. 1812.

2. You will observe that it has been proposed to transfer from the Revenue Department to that of the Surveyor General all charges incurred on Account of Geographical Survey[s] the result of this proposition will be hereafter communicated to you.—

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secy.

Fort St. George 10th. Septr. 1812.

Extract of a letter to the Chief Secretary to Government.
Dated 25th. August 1812.—

Para 2. I am directed to take the same opportunity to sub-mit the accompanying letter from the Collector of Madura, requesting sanction to a charge incurred on Account of the Asst. Surveyor in his district Amounting to Pagodas 34-5-42. for which Sum the Board request that the necessary authority may be obta[ined]

3. The abovementioned communication from the Collecto[r] of Madura, has led the Board to refer to the Correspondence whic[h]

took place on the abolition of the Surveying School, and adverting to the 9th Paragraph of their letter to Government under date the 10th December 1810, they submit their opinion that in order that the charges of district departments may not be blended, it would be proper that such Survey expences only as may have been incurred for purposes purely revenue should be debited to the Revenue Department. Of this nature are the charges on account of the Assistant Surveyors employed under the Superintendent of Tank repairs, and the Collector of Madura. The Charges incurred in the execution of Geographical Survey's the Board conceive should be debited to the Surveyor General's Department.

4 Should this arrangement be approved, the Board beg leave to recommend that the Charge submitted in the accompanying letter from Mr. Peter be debited to the Department of the Surveyor General, the Assistant Surveyors now in the Madura district not being employed on any business of exclusively a Revenue Nature. —

5. The Board would, however, suggest that a reference be made to the Acting Surveyor General, regarding the arrangement now proposed, in order that he may have an opportunity of stating any objections which he may have to offer against it. —

Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government Dated 4th September 1812 —

"The Charge of Pagodas 9.11.20. incurred by the Commissioners at Tranquebar for a Scavenger's Cart submitted with your Secretary's letter dated the 25th Ultimo has received the Sanction of the Honorable the Governor in Council, and the charge of Pagodas 34.5.42 Submitted in the same letter has been referred to the Acting Surveyor General." —

(True Extracts)

(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Dep. Secr. —

Ex.d
(Sig.) R. Collins

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir, I have the honor to enclose a Rowannah which I suspect has been granted without due enquiry, or that some collusion has existed between the Choukedar, and the Lubba who imported the Cloths to Trichinopoly, my suspicions arise from the Lubba having brought a Bale of red Dooppatahs, & Roomals the whole consisting of sixty pieces - The number corresponds exactly with the number and description of Goods particularized in the Rowannah, on examination however no less than twenty six of the Roomals are not Choped, which induces me to think that probably the Lubba may have sold the twenty six Roomals originally choped, and imported twenty six fresh Handkerchiefs in lieu, as such I have to request the Rowannah may be examined with the Register kept at Dindigul Choukee; and that you will be pleased to return it to me with any information you may obtain on enquiry. I have detained the goods until I can hear from

Trichinopoly 10th Septr. 1812 - (Signed) Geo. F. Travers Collr.

P.S. You will also oblige me by ascertaining from the Choukedar whether he choped the whole of the Cloths, or not. -

(Signed) G. F. Travers Cr.

To the Collector of Madura & Dindigul -

Sir,

Para 1st. I have the honor to enclose for your information and guidance an Advertisement for a new Six per Cent Loan, to which you are Authorized to receive Subscriptions. -

2. I request that you will accordingly receive into the Treasury under your Charge any Sums of Money in even hundreds of Sicca Rupees (not being less than 1,000 Rupees) that may be tendered in Subscription to the Loan, and grant acknowledgements for the same in the annexed Form. -

3rd You will be pleased to forward, at the close of each

Week a Register of any Acknowledgements that may in the course of that period of time have been granted by you.—

4th All Subscriptions received to this Loan are to be Credited in your Accounts Current to the Head of "General Treasury".—

5th I request that the receipt of this letter may be acknowledged on the day it reaches you.—

Fort St. George 10th Sept. 1812 }
Account. Genl. Office }

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Acct. Genl.

Form of Certificate.

This is to Certify that pursuant to the Public Advertisement of Government dated 1st September, A.B. has this day paid into the Treasury under my Charge the Sum of Pagodas 0000.... for which he will on Application to the Accountant General at Fort St. George be furnished with a Treasury acknowledgement for the Sum of Sicca Rupees 0000.. on the Terms of the Advertisement referred to above.—

St. Pagodas 0000....
Sicca Rupees 0000....

Commisst. Office Southern Division

To R. Peter Esqr.
Collector Madura.—

Sir

In consequence of the issues of Grain having commenced at Ramnad at an earlier period than I expected, I find that I shall require about 300 Mercals of good & Serviceable Paddy fit for Storing, and shall be obliged by your letting me know at what rates I can be furnished with the same – as also by your favoring me as early as convenient with the Bills for the Paddy delivered to the Commissariat Servants at Dindigul and Madura.—

Trichinopoly 11th Sept. 1812.

(Signed) W. Ireland Jones
Asst. Commy. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In Conformity to Clause 9th Section XVII of Regulation I. 1812 I have the honor to forward 179 Rowannahs granted by you and received at the Choukies at Trichinopoly in the Month of August last.—

(Signed) Geo. F. Travers
Collr.

Trichy 12th Sept. 1812.

To the Collector of the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Forms of Statements wh[ich] I request you will furnish —

I have it in contemplation to suggest to Governm[ent] to assume the Cavilgars' fees &ca and in lieu thereof to allow them such Compensation in Money as may be sufficient to keep them above want, and to renumerate them for the Services which they are expected to perform — This Statement therefore will enable me to form a Judgement of the Amount which may be appropri-ated for the above mentioned purpose — I shall be glad if you will communicate any Remarks which may occur to you upon this proposition or any objections which you may see to its adop-tion — It appears to me that a provision of the nature abo[ve] described will prevent the Cavilgars from being personally con-cerned in Committing theft (an evil of very frequent occurrence at present, In excuse for which the Cavilgars always plead the non payment of their fees and consequent indigence) and will render their Services more efficient —

It seems that there are some Zemindars in your Collectorate though within this Jurisdiction who receive fees for Police duties which they performed or ought to have per-formed under the old System — I have to request you will furnish me with a list of those persons and of the fees &ca which they re-ceive Annually from the Inhabitants, for it is clear that they have no title to these Collections now they have no Police duties to perform —

Trichinopoly
Zillah Court 12th Sept 1812

(Signed) C.H. Higginson
Magistrate

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(Signed) C. H. Higginson Magte

Surveyor Generals Office

To

Rous Peter Esqre

Collector of Madura

Sir,

The Honble the Governor in Council having been pleased to Sanction an increase to the Allowances of the Surveyors employed in your Collectorate, I beg leave to enclose for your information an Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary of Govt which sanctions the amount to be drawn by them respectively from the 1st. Ultimo

(Signed) W. Morison

Actg Survr. General

Madras 13th. Septr. 1812

Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government to the Acting Surveyor General, dated 4th. September 1812

Para 2. The Governor in Council sanctions the increased allow-

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-ances to which the undermentioned persons have become entitled, you have recommended — to Assistant Thomas Turnbull from 25 to 35 Pagodas per Mensem; to Sub Assistant Christian Perara from 16 to 25 Pagodas per Mensem; to Apprentice Andrew Chamar from 11 to 16 Pagodas per Mensem, payable from the 1st. of Augt. 18..

(A true Extract) (Signed) W. Morison
Actg. Surv. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII Regulation 1812. I have the honor to forward 2 Rowannahs —

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13th. September 1812 } (Signed) E.R. Hargrave
Collr.

Revenue Department.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Dindigul & Madura —

Sir,

(Circular) Para 1. As it is intended that the general Inland duty of 5 ℔ Cent to be levied under the provisions of the new Custom Regulations, should be collected on the trade of the Country not on small quantities of goods in the possession of individuals intend-ed for their private consumption, which will be generally found to have been previously subjected to the Duty, and as it has been brought to the notice of the Board of Revenue that the levy of duty on numerous trifling and petty Articles is the cause of vexatious inter-ruption to the passengers and to the Inhabitants of the Country generally, and of undue exactions on the part of the Sayer Servts., I am directed by the Board to desire that Circular orders be issued by you to the Chokeydars forbidding the levy of duty upon any article the value of which may not exceed one Star Pagoda provided it appears that it is not intended for Sale —

2. From this rule piece goods should be expressly exempt for all Cloths must be held liable to duty, the payment of which

to be ascertained by the Chop, Bettle, Tobacco, Gunja, Bang and Goodauck should also be exempted –

3. From the levy of a particular duty on these Articles at certain of the most populous Towns in the interior, a Regulation has been passed by Government and may be expected to be promulgated immediately

Fort St. George 14th September 1812. (Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

Agreeable to the request made by you in your letter of the 14th September 1812 – I have the honor of forwarding you, two corrected Judicial Indents, for the Month of August 1812 having as per your request, struck off, the allowances due to Mr. Long as Judge and Magistrate of this Zillah –

Ramnad
14th Septr. 1812 } (Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Actg. Judge & Magest.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura –

Sir,

Criminal information having this day been lodged, against Shungoo Modelee, Moneger of Vettala[illegible]doo Village, in the District of Dindegul, a Summon has been issued for his attendance at the Magistrates Office – I therefore deem it necessary to apprize you of the above circumstance, lest his absence, should from detremental to the Public Service –

Ramnad Magestrs. Office
14th September 1812 – (Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Actg. Magistrate

To the Collector of Madura –

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Number of Rowannahs issued from your Zillah according to the enclosed List, & received in the Northern Division of Arcot in the Month of July 1812 in order that they may be compared with the Registers & returns of the different Choukeedars in your District –

Tirputty 14th Septr. 1812 – (Signed) C. Roberts
H. W. in charge

To the Collector of Ramnad–

Sir, Having been desired by the Board of Trade to enqu[ire] into the Cultivation of Cotton and that you would have recei[ved] instructions from the Board of Revenue to afford me all the ass[is]-tance in your power to enable me to ascertain with accuracy the real resource of the District. I have to request that you will give me all the information you may possess or can obtain on the following subject.

Is Cotton Cultivated and to what extent in the District of Ramnad Shevagunga and Madura.–

What is the usual price per Candy of 500 pound.

What is the time of Sowing and plucking, and what is the usu-al mode of Cultivation.–

Is Bourbon Cotton Cultivated in the District. Does it grow as luxuriantly and is it as productive as Cotton indigenous of the soil.

Is the Soil of the District generally calculated for the growth of Cotton.–

What is the rent of land capable of producing Cotton–

What is the aggregate expence of the Cultivation–

If the Soil is favorable to the growth of Cotton what is the best mode of encouraging and extending its Cultivation–

Would the Ryots be willing to undertake the Cultivation of Bourbon and Tinnevelly Cotton on the following, or on what Conditions–

1st. That the Company furnish the Seed and make an Ad-vance of 1/3d. of the estimated value of the produce of the land enga-ged to be Cultivated–

2d. That a further 1/3d. be paid when the plant is well up and the remaining 1/3d. on the delivery of the produce, the price to be fixed either at the time of engaging with the Cultivators or by the market price at the time of delivery–

I likewise request that samples (weighing 300 lbs. each) of the

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Cotton produced in the District may be sent to me.—

Ramnad 15th. September 1812.— (Signed) J. I. Sullivan
Comm^l. Resident

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura

Sir,

(Circular) Para. 1. The Board of Revenue propose to submit to Govt. the Draft of a Regulation for extending to the provinces the principle of the provisions of Section IV Regulation III 1812 under which the use of two distinct Stamps or Chops will become necessary one for white the other for dyed or painted piece goods.—

2. It is the intention of the Board that the Stamps to be used throughout the Provinces shall be uniform, both in respect to dimensions and inscription for which purpose, it is proposed that they be all made at the Presidency and transmitted by Bangy to the several Collectors.—

3. You are in consequence desired to report what number of Stamps or Chops is required for the Chokies within the District under your charge, and you will at the same time state what you may consider to be the most convenient size and what the most proper inscription to be adopted—

4. It occurs to the Board that a Circular Stamp of an inch in Diameter might be used for white goods, and a Square Stamp of the same diameter for painted or dyed goods, each bearing the short inscription of "White" and "Coloured" in the English and Native Language respectively.—

5. For goods of a superior quality, such as fine Muslin and Shawls a Chop might be used not exceeding half an inch in Diameter.—

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George
16th. September 1812.

To the Collector of Madura-

Sir,

I have to request that in the event of any person registering the Tickets the word "registered" and the name of the Party to be entered in the list of tickets sold the fee of three fan[ams] may be disposed to the Native writer keeping the account of Sale[s]

The list of Sold Tickets must be transmitted on the 1st October and on that day any Tickets that may remain unsold must be sealed up and returned-

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. Govt. Lottery

Fort St. George 16th Sept. 1812.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura-

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th Ultimo, requesting authority to pay an Allowance of two (2) fanams per diem to the Cutcherry Servants, who may hereafter accompany you on a tour through your District-

2. No such charge being customary in other unsettled districts, the Board were not disposed to admit it in yours; as it appears, however, on reference to the records of this Office, that the pay of your principal Hoozoor Servants, some of whom must accompany you when absent from the Hoozoor Station, is less in general than that of Servants of similar descriptions in other unsettled districts, the Board have thought it reasonable to comply with your request, as far as regards those Servants to whom alone they suppose it was your intention to extend the indulgence, as the same rate of batta to peons would in most cases double their Wages-

3. Before therefore including the Charge of batta in your Estimates the Board would wish to be informed of it's amount and proposed distribution.-

Fort St. George 16th Sept. 1812-

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

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To the Collector in the Zilla of Dindigul & Madura

Sir

(...cular) Para 1. An instance having recently occurred of a theft having been committed in the Treasury of a Collector, owing to the inefficient state of the Cash Chests, and the want of proper Checks on the persons employed for their Security, the Board of Revenue have considered it expedient to issue precautionary orders on the subject.—

2. The Board understand that it has in some instances been customary to keep part of the public money, such as deposites, or Cash belonging to other Departments in slight Bamboo boxes or other places of insufficient Custodies, the risque which is thereby incurred is so great and so evident that it would seem scarcely necessary to point out the propriety of providing some more adequate means of security for the Treasure. The Board desire that the Collectors will be careful hereafter to keep the public money in strong wooden Chests properly secured,—that those Chests may be placed in such parts of their Cutcherries as may admit of a light being burnt all night near them and that two persons belonging to the Cutcherry may be directed to sleep near the Chests as a check independent of the guard which the Board must consider to be furnished more for the purpose of protection against the external violence than as a full security against private theft—

3. This mode of guarding the Treasure the Board are satisfied will, in most cases, be found to prevail, but they are desirous of impressing upon the minds of the Collectors the necessity of exercising a strict and vigilant controul over the persons intrusted with the important charge of the public money—

4. In Regulation XXXIII A.D. 1802 it is provided that public Servants shall furnish Security for their personal

appearance, but the Board think it necessary that money Security to a certain extent, should be taken from persons entrusted with the charge of public Treasure — They desire accordingly that Collectors will in future, require from their Cashkeep[ers] Treasury Accountants, and Shroffs, and generally from all persons in any way concerned with the Treasure, such money security as can be obtained, or as may be considered proportionate to the responsibility, of their respective situat[ion]s

5. It will be proper that in submitting for confirmation the appointment of any Servant coming under the above description the amount of security tendered by him should be noticed. —

6. Section XII of Regulation II. A.D. 1803 respecting the custody of the Keys of the Cash Chests should be particularly attended to, and as Dubs have in a late instance been substituted for Rupees in Sealed bags it is recommended to you occasionally to examine and count the Cash, without giving any previous notice to your Servants of such intention.

Fort St. George
17th. Septemr. 1812.

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura —

Sir,

Enclosed I forward you Copy of a letter, received from the Secretary to Government, in the Judicial Department, Sanctioning the disbursement, of Star Pagodas 81. for the construction of a Jail, for the confinement, of Revenue defaulters &ca. which amount I have to request, you will be good enough to order to be paid, as soon as possible. —

Ramnad 17th.
Septemr. 1817.

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Acting Judge

Judicial Department

To the Assistant Judge in charge of the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated the 31st Ultimo, I am directed to state that the Honorable the Governor in Council, authorizes you to construct a Jail, for revenue defaulters, at the estimated expence of eighty one Pagodas—

I am
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) D. Hill
Secr. to Govt.

Fort St. George
11th Septemr. 1812

Examd.
(Sigd.) C. Battle

(True Copy) (Signed) W. O. Shakespear
Acting Judge

To the Collector of the Madura District

Sir,

Agreeably to His Excellency the Commander in Chiefs Genl. order of the 18th April 1812 I have to report to you, my entire approbation of the conduct and attention of the Native Officer, who accompanied me thro' your District, in procuring supplies for the Detachment under my Command.

Madree Naig Chutree
19th September 1812—

(Signed) Alexr. Cowan Lieut.
1st Bn. 17th Regt. N.I. Comg. Detacht.

To the Collector of the Madura District &ca &ca
Ramnad—

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that (2) two Companys of the 1st Bn. 17th Regt. N.I. proceeding to Madura under my Command will enter your District in two days—

Camp near Kytar
21st September 1812

(Signed) W. Kennedy Lt. Comg.
Detacht. 1st Bn. 17th Regt. N.I.

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir,

I herewith Enclose for your information Copy of a Bill for Pagodas 12.13.40. paid to Mr. R. Andrews his Travelling Charges from Trichinopoly to Ramnad—

Fort St. George Genl. Treasury
21st September 1812—

(Signed) Jas. Cochrane
Sub Treasurer

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dendegul & Madura

(Circular) Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit for the use of your Office one printed Copy of each of

Persian Regns. I & II of 1812 the Persian Regulations of 1812 noted in the Margin and to desire that you will acknowledge the receipt of them.—

Fort St. George 21st. Septr. 1812— (Signed) A. D. Campbell Dep. Secry.

To the Collector of Madura & Dendegul—

Sir,

The detailed fusly Statement called for in my letter of the 31st. July last, not having been yet received from you, and being particularly wanted, I request you will cause its despatch to be expedited as much as possible, if it should not have been sent before the receipt of this letter.—

Fort St. George
Accountt. Genl. Office
22d. Septemr. 1812—

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Acct. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose to you Copy of a letter received from the Commissioners for investigating the Carnatic Debts.—

The Correspondence of Captn. Dighton referred to in that letter, is in this Office, from which it appears that altho' he was stationed at Shevelepatore during the Years 1796 & 1800 at that time under the Authority of one of the Nabob's managers—yet he had no influence in this District, and seems only to have been the means by which the Collr. of Ramnad (from whom he drew his Pay &ca.) enforced his orders and compelled the payment of the Authorized collections from the refractory Poligars in this part of the country.—

In 1809 on the abolition of the Collectorate of

Ramnad

Ramnad, and upon the Division of the Pollams formerly under the controul of that Collector, between those of Madura & Tinnevelly, Ramnad was amongst others ceded to your superintendence. The Accounts of the conjoined Pollams having been kept at Ramnad they were entirely given up to you, and was agreed that such matter as related to the Pollams falling under the management of the Collector of this District was to be extracted and forwarded to this Cutcherry as they have not arrived yet, I take this opportunity to request that you will forward them at your earliest convenience. The Sickness which has long prevailed in your Cutcherry has no doubt caused the delay in the transmission of these Accounts.

Captain Dighton's case, as he drew his Pay, Batta, Off reckonings &ca from the Treasury of Ramnad coming more immediately under your cognizance, I have referred the Commissioners to you for the information which they require on that subject, acquainting them at the same time that when the Accounts above alluded to are forwarded to this Cutcherry should any thing be found in them as immediately relating to Captain Dighton for Services in this District that I shall furnish them with the information.

Tinnevelly Tencausey }
22d September 1812 }

(Signed) J. Hanbury
Hd. Asst. Collr. in Charge

To the Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

In pursuance of instructions from the Commissioners in England I am directed by the Board to request that you will furnish them with an attested extract from the Accounts of your Office shewing what sums were paid to Captain Charles Dighton (who Commanded a Sebundee Corps in your District,) on account of Pay Batta Off reckonings or on any account, from the 1st January 1796 to the 31st Decemr. 1800

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your

Office of Commissioners for investigating the Carnatic Debts. Fort St. George 21st July 1812.

Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Robt. Brown
Secretary

Ed. (Sigd.) H.C.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. Hanbury
Hd. Asst. Collr. in Charg.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In pursuance of instructions from the Commissioners in Englad, I am directed by the Board to request that you will furnish them with an attested extract from the Accounts of your Office shewing what sums were paid to Captn. Charles Dighton (who Commanded a Sebundy Corps in the District formerly under the Collector of Ramnad) on account of Pay, Batta, Offreckonings or on any account, from the 1st January 1796 to the 31st December 1800.

Application has already been made to the Collector of Tinnevelly on the above subject, but the accounts not being forthcoming in his Office, he has mentioned you as the person in whose possession they are likely to be.

Office of Commissioners for investigatg. the Carnatic Debts. Fort St. George 24th Septr. 1812.

(Signed) Robt. Brown
Secretary

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th Inst. and in Compliance with your desire I now send two Lottery Tickets to be sold at 10 Pagodas each.

No. 13
6947

Fort St. George 24th Septr. 1812.

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. Govt. Lottery

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To the Collector of Madura and Dindigul –

Sir,

By desire of the Board of Trade, I have the honor to despatch you a Parcel Containing the Indent of Stationary for the present Year (passed by the Board of Revenue) agreeably to the annexed List – the receipt whereof I will thank you to acknowledge. –

Fort St. George Import Warehouse 24th. Sept. 1812 } (Signed) Jas. Taylor, Superintendt.

List of Stationary Despatched for the use of the Collector of Madura and Dindigul –

Foolscap Paper	20 Quires
Quarto Post Do.	30 Do.
Cartridge Do.	2 Do.
Penknives Clasp	4 No.
Ivory Penknives	4 No.
Ink Powders	30 Papers
Sealing wax	3 lb.
Wafer Boxes	4 No.
Pencils	36 No.
Rubber	4 No.

Import Warehouse 24th. September 1812 –

Similar to the above in Duplicate –

To the Collector of Madura –

Sir,

As it is required by Government that the Accts. of the 1st. Lottery of 1812 should be closed as soon as possible, I have to request that the Account sent with my letter of 14th. Ultimo may be Closed and returned and a Bill sent for the Balance without delay. –

Fort St. George 25th. Sept. 1812 – (Signed) R. Fullerton Supt. Govt. Lottery

To the Collector of Madura –

Sir,

I have received Your Letter of the 11th. Ultimo, Accompanied by a Remittance of Treasure Amounting to Pagodas 15,000 – and I herewith transmit to You My Duplicate Receipt for the same

Fort St. George Genl. Treasury 28th. September 1812 – (Signed) Jas. Cochrane Sub-Treasurer

Similar in Duplicate

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Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindegul & Madura -

Sir,

(Circular) Para 1st. With reference to the Circular letter addressed to you under date the 3rd June last, I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that the price of twelve (12) Star Pagodas ℘ Garce to be charged for Salt exported to any other port than Calcutta is to be exclusive of Shipping charges &ca which are to be borne by the exporter. -

2d. The shipping charges of Salt exported to Bengal will continue to be defrayed by the Collectors as included in the permit price of 24 Rupees the Garce. -

Fort St. George 28th Septr. 1812. (Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector in Dindegul & Madura -

Sir,

In reply to your letter under date the 19th Inst. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to desire that you will communicate to the Zemindar of Shevagunga the resolution of the Magistrate contained in the letter addressed to you by that Officer under date the 26th. Ultimo, and that you will require him to direct (30) thirty of his Peons to attend personally at the Magistrates Office to take out Dustucks, entitling them to carry swords. -

Fort St. George 28th Septr. 1812. - (Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector of Dindegul & Madura -

Sir,

Herewith I transmit Abstract of Bills received from you in the Course of the Month of August last. -

Fort St. George Genl. Treasury
28th September 1812 - (Signed) Jas. Cochrane
Sub Treasurer

Abstract of Bills received from Mr. R Peter Collector of Dindigul & Madura in August 1812

(151)

No. of Bills as of Rg.	When received	Date of Bills	By whom Drawn	On whom Drawn	In whose favor	When accepted	@ what sight	Amount	When paid
	1812	1812	Transferable Bill						
152	Augt. 27th	Augt. 22d	R. Peter	Post Mr. Genl.	Sub Treasurer		@ Sight	S. P. 22.24 ..	
			Cash receivable Bill						
..	.. 27th	.. 23d	R Peter	Arbuthnot Demonte & Co.	Do.	Do.	Do.	100 ..	1812 .. 28th Augt.

(Signed) Jas. Cochrane
S. Treasurer

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an account of the Police expence of this Zillah for the Month of Septr. 1812, and request that the amount Star Pagodas 913 and fal. 22 may be discharged –

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
actg. Magte.

Ramnad 30th September 1812

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward accounts of Judicial expences of the Court in this Zillah for the Month of September 1812, and request that the amount Star Pagodas 1703.. 21.. 2 may be discharged –

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
actg. Judge & Magte.

Ramnad 30th Septr. 1812 –

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

(Circular)

Sir

Para 1st. By Section XX Regulation I A D 1812 it is provided that of the proceeds of confiscated goods after deducting the amount of Government duties, one half & shall be devided "between the informer and the officers & "making the seizure or if there be no informer the whole "shall be paid to the latter" –

2. The Board observe that most cases there appears to be no informer and the persons making the seizure are alone reported and are in general servants of the different Chokies often the Custom Darogahs them=selves although it is to be supposed that the seizures would in general be made by the Peons, as the vigilance and exertions of the Peons, must be considered to depend in some measure upon the attention of the Darogah — The Board consider it a fair principle to reward jointly both the Darogah and Peons or other Officers at each station where a seizure may be made and they accordingly direct, that in all cases of reward to Custom Officers making seizure one third shall be paid to the Darogah of the Station and two thirds to the person or persons actually employed in making the seizure —

3. Many cases have come before the Board where seizures of articles of trifling value have been made and proposed for confiscation, the Board are most anxious that the revenue from Customs should be levied with as little vexations as possible, they wish you therefore to use your best endeavours to instruct your Custom Servants in a proper and discreet discharge of their Duty —

Fort St. George 30th Septr. 1812

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secrett.

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To the Collector in the District of Madura -

Sir,

Your letter of the 24.th ultimo having been submitted to the Board of Trade, I am directed to acquaint you that the object of the Quarterly reports of the Frontier Trade is to ascertain the total value of Imports from, and of exports to places beyond the Territories subject to Fort St. George -

I am directed to return the statement &c which accompanied your letter with a request that the report of Trade at the Frontier Chouky in your District as relating to the 5.th Column, may be confined to the points abovementioned -

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secretary

Office of the R. E. C. Fort St. George 30.th Septr. 1812.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

(Circular)

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to circulate for general information the enclosed Extracts from a correspondence with Government, whence you will observe that all Charges not of a revenue nature are to be submitted for the sanction of Governmt. through the office of the accountant General -

2. The Board desire that for the future you will strictly attend to this rule -

(Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secrety.

Fort St. George 1st October 1812 -

Extract of a letter to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 17.th September 1812 -

"With respect to Mr. Garrows proposition that charges not of a revenue nature should be submitted to Government, through the Channel of his Office, the Board direct me to observe that in Section IV Regulation III

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a.D. 1810 it is provided that charges of a Military nature which may be defrayed by Collectors shall be submitted through the prescribed channel to the Governor in Council- which the prescribed channel is, the Section adverted to does not express, but the Board of Revenue being the usual channel of communication, between the Revenue officers and the Government the charges described in the Section quoted have hitherto been submitted through this Office"-

Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government dated 25th September 1812-

2 .. "The Governor in Council is pleased to direct that Collectors shall in future transmit to the Office of the accountant General their Bills for charges not of a revenue nature- The accountant General will either submit them directly for the Sanction of Government or, if the charges are of a Military nature, send the Bills to the auditor General whose report will be submitted with the bills by the Accountant General &c"-

(true Extracts) (Signed) A D Campbell
Depy. Secry.

To R. Peter Esqre. Collector of Madura-

Sir,

I request you will have the kindness to order Payment of the accompanying Indent for the Month of September 1812 amounting to Star Pagodas 414. 37 f. 40 c. for which a Bill has been drawn by me on the Collector of Trichinopoly-

(Signed) John Read
Senior Judge
on Circuit

Ramnad 1st October 1812.

No. Exchange for Star Pagodas 414. 37 f. 40 c.

To G. F. Travers Collector of Trichinopoly Paying the Monthly Indent of the Circuit Court of the Southern Division

Sir

At sight of this my second of exchange (first of the same tenor and date not being paid) please to pay to the Collector of Madura or to his order the sum of Four hundred and Fourteen Star Pagodas, Thirty-seven fanams and forty Cash, for value received of him for an advance on account of my Salary and that of the Native Establishment on Circuit together with Batta to a Military Guard for the Month of September 1812.

Ramnad 1st October 1812.

(Signed) John Read
Senior Judge on Circuit

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura at Ramnad.

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to forward an Account Particular for the amount of Star Pagodas 103..33..69, as pr. request contained in your letter of the 30th of last Month.

(Signed) W. O. Shakespear
actg. Magte.

Ramnad 1st October 1812.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII of Regulation I A D 1812 I have the honor to forward the Rowannahs granted at the different Choukeys in your District and received at the land Custom office at this place as pr. Tamul List enclosed.

(Signed) Thos. Daniel
Commissioner

Tranquebar Commissioner's Office 2d. October 1812.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura.

Sir,

I have to inform you that agreeable to the Resolution of Government of which you were apprised on the 7th December 1811 the Tappal will run by the way of Ramnad and manner from the 15th of the present Month until the 15th January 1813. and then resume its present Route.

(Signed) R. Andrews.
Post Mr. Genl.

G. P. O. Fort St. George 2d. October 1812.

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Revenue Department

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2. The five articles here enumerated are to continue as heretofore subject throughout the Country to the General Inland duty of 5 p.r Cent provided for in regulation I 1812, the object of the present regulation is the Collection of a tax upon the consumption of the above mentioned articles at the large Villages and principal Towns under this Government, to be separate and distinct from the general Inland duty alluded to above, the Payment of the latter therefore will not exempt goods from the full amount of the particular duty provided for in the enclosed Regulation and in submitting the pro-posed rates of the new duty due attention should be paid to this consideration—

3. You will lose no time in reporting for the consideration of the Board, and the confirmation of Government the situation at which you would recommend that the particular duty in question should be levied, you will clearly understand that it is the wish of the Board, that it should by no means extend to petty Villages inhabited chiefly by cultivators, but that it should be strictly confined to large Villages and populous Towns—

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4. You will submit according to the enclosed form a Statement of the rates of duty to be levied at each Station and in proposing the rates, you will be guided principally by what the Cost of the different articles will be to the consumer after the duty shall have been paid.

5. The Board propose that Tobacco should be classed under three Sorts, with the view that the inferior sort chiefly consumed by the lower and poorer classes of the community, may be assessed at a proportionately moderate rate upon the superior kinds of Tobacco, and upon Ganjah, Bang, and Goodauk the duty may be fixed at a higher rate— (Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George 3d. October 1812.

Form—

[Sta]tion	Articles	Estimated prime cost	Present price to the consumer in large Villages and Towns	Proposed amount of consumption duty fixed with reference to the general inland duty which the articles will have previously paid	Estimated price to the consumer after the new rate of duty shall have been imposed	Remarks
	Betel ... per 400 leaves					
	Tobacco 1st Sort per Viss					
	Do. — 2d. " — "					
	Do. — 3d. " — "					
	Ganjah — per Viss					
	Bang — " — "					
	Godauk — " — "					

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir I have received your letter of 20th. September and now send 3 Tickets the first drawing having taken place and out of 250 Tickets Drawn, The Prizes as per Margin have fallen; It will be at your option to keep or return these Tickets, in the latter case they must be sent back by return of Post—

Prizes Vizt.
1 of 12000.
1 of 8000
1 of 5000
1 of 1000
1 of 500
2 of 200
2 of 100
31 of 30.

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. Govt. Lottery

Fort St. George 3d. October 1812.

To the Collector of Dindigul and Madura -

Sir

Para 1st I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt on the 5th Instant, of your letter, with enclosures, under date the 26th Ultimo -

2d Deeply as the Board are concerned at the information Contained in that letter, they are scarcely less surprized at receiving a report of so Calamitous a Nature without having been prepared for it by any preceding communication. -

3. The Board are aware that in consequence of the adverse nature of the past season, the stock of subsistence in the Country must probably at this time be nearly exhausted, and that much, therefore, depended (for the prevention of increased distress) upon a favorable opening of the season lately commenced - still, before the Board received a report of so Calamitous a nature as that of the emigration of thousands, and of numbers having, as you fear, perished of want, they might have expected from you some communication, as to the consequences to be apprehended in case no remedy could be applied by Government. -

4. The Board Confess that your total silence since the Commencement of the present year with respect to the effects of the late adverse season had tended to allay their apprehensions upon that account - and it did not occur to them, to refer to your price current of Grain in particular, until the receipt

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of your present letter, when upon examination, it appeared that no such document had been furnished by you-

5- The Board much regret this instance of inattention to particular orders, which especially applied to the Southern Countries and which having in every other instance been duly complied with & renders the omission on your part the more striking-

Circular dated 2d. Jany. 1812

6. In your present letter you state that "Paddy which formerly sold for 4. 5. and 6 C. fanams "pr. Cullum is now 18 and 20 (increasing daily) and to "be procured with the greatest difficulty" To what period "the word "formerly" is here meant to apply, and by what gradation the price has risen to its present hight, the Board are uninformed-

7. With respect to the Statement which you have furnished, purporting to shew "the extent of Land "cultivated in the Districts of Dindigul and Madura "upto the 20th September 1812. and the extent remaining "to be cultivated" I am directed to observe that it is too imperfect to convey any useful information to the Board- it Comprizes only three of the Talooks of the Madura District, whereas for any useful purpose, it should have shewn the general state of the present season, and have exhibited the extent of Land cultivated to the present time Compared with the extent of Land usually cultivated upto the same period of former years that is, in ordinary seasons-

8. The Board are willing to hope that the season is not yet so far advanced, that the cultivation

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may not still be prosecuted provided the season should assume a favorable turn at no very distant period.

9. To enable the Board to form a more accurate judgment than they have at present the means of doing upon this point, you will furnish at your earliest convenience a statement shewing the extent of Land actually cultivated during any two former years, ordinarily favorable, with the proportion thereof cultivated up to the end of September in each year.

10. With respect to your proposition that "some encouragement beheld forth to those who "would undertake to import Grain at the different "Ports on the Coast between Tondy and Keelakurry" I am directed to acquaint you that the proposition will be submitted for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council, and that the Board will also recommend that all Grain intended for exportation to places south of Point Calymere be exempted from the export duty prescribed in the latter part of Section IV Regulation II A.D. 1812, for a farther period beyond that which was notified in the advertisement published under date the 7th Jany. last.

15th Octr. 1812

11. As one of the means of alleviating the existing Distress, it has occurred to the Board that it might be advisable to make advances of money to the Ryots to a certain extent with the view of enabling them to make or to deepen Wells for the purpose of extending the Cultivation, or of preserving the Crops already cultivated and in some degree providing

Employment

Employment for the lower Classes -

12. With regard to an advance to the Ryots the Board are disposed to leave to your Discretion the affording this assistance without loss of time, should you be of opinion that the exigency of the moment requires it, in which case you will report as early as possible the measures you have adopted to this end -

13. Should the scarcity increase to an extent to cause still greater distress you will consider in what way it may be practicable to afford relief and to find employment for the lower orders taking into consideration that it is preferable that relief should be earned rather than be gratuitously given; and you will be prepared to suggest what public works such as the repairs of Tanks, Watercourses, or of Roads it may in consequence be expedient to undertake -

14. The Collectors in your neighbourhood will be informed of the distress experienced in your District and directed to afford you any assistance in their power towards facilitating the transport of Grain by private Merchants to the Markets in your District -

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George 5th October 1812 -

2D(Sig.) R Collins

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1. In continuation of the subject of my letter of yesterday's date I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that the Hon'ble the

the Governor in Council has through the Commercial Departm^t been pleased to direct that all grain exported to any place south of Madras shall until further orders be exempt from export duty -

2 The annexed Copy of a letter to the Collectors in your neighbourhood will be your authority for making any application to them for relief which under that letter you may consider them able to afford you and the same authority granted to them to make advances on security to persons willing to import grain on their own account is extended to you -

Fort St. George 6th October 1812 - (Signed) Wm. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector in Tanjore -

The same to Tinnevelly Trichinopoly Coimbatore

Sir
Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that a scarcity of Grain to an alarming extent prevails in the Districts of Dindigul, Madura, and Ramnad and to desire that you will in communication with the Collector of those Districts afford him any assistance in your power towards alleviating the distress experienced by the Inhabitants -

2 You are authorized on satisfactory security being given to you to advance money to a moderate extent to any Merchants of your District willing to engage on his own account in the transport of grain to the Districts suffering from a scarcity of that necessary of life, and you will acquaint them that Government have been pleased to exempt all grain from duty on exportation that may be shipped for any Port to the southward of Madras until further orders

orders — (Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary —

(a true Copy) Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George 6th October 1812 —

To R. Peter Esqre Collector of Madura —

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Bill for Vaccination allowances for the Month of September 181

(Signed) J. Hastie
Asst. Surgeon Supt. Vac. Dindigul

Dindigul 6th October 1812 —

R. Peter Esquire Collector &c. &c. &c. Ramnad

Most Honorable Sir

I Most humbly beg leave to forward herewith the Monthly accounts of the Post office of Madura for the Month of September 1812 —

(Signed) Mootoosawmey
Writer in charge

Madura Post Office 6th October 1812 —

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Section the XVII of Regulation I A.D. 1812 I transmit accompanying a number of Rowannahs as pr. list enclosed, that have been issued in your District, and received at the Sea Ports in the Province of Tanjore

(Signed) T. Richardson
Comm. Rest.

Nagore 7th October 1812 —

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura &c. &c. &c.

Worthy Sir

I have the honor to forward the Account Current with the respective Vouchers of the Post office Department in the Zillah of Ramnad for the Month of September 1812 —

(Signed) Tanapah
P.O. Wr.

Ramnad 7th October 1812 —

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9th Sectn. XVII of Regulation II 1812. I have the honor to forward 32 Rowannahs granted by you and received in this Zillah as pr. enclosed list—

(Signed) W. Garrow
Collr.

Bhovany 8th. October 1812—

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward one Rowanah issued from your Zillah and received in the Northern Division of Arcot in the Month of August 1812 in order that it may be compared with the Register and return of the Chockeedars in your District—

(Signed) C. Roberts
Hd. a. Collr.

Tirputty 9th. October 1812—

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir

In conformity to Clause 9. Sectn. XVII Regulation I 1812. I have the honor to forward 13 Rowannahs—

(Signed) E. R. Hargrave
Collr.

Durumpoory 10th. October 1812—

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a receipt for Star Pagodas Twenty-one thousand, seven hundred & and fifty being the amount of Cash delivered at this Treasury, by Doud Beg Subidar commanding the escort in charge of the remittance from Madura.

Sholamadavy 11th. October 1812—

(Signed) Geo. F. Travers
Collector

Invoice of Treasure received from the Collector of Madura in Charge of Doud Beg Subidar of the 1st Battalion 17th Regiment N. I. consisting 2 Haveldars, 3 Naigues and 25 Sepoys

Coins	Number	Rate	Amount S. Ps.	F	C.
Star Pagodas	16,668.	100 pr. % S. Ps.	16,668.	..	..
Silver Half Pagoda peices	2,000.	200 pr. Do.	1000.	..	..
Do. Quarter Do. — Do.	8,064.	400 pr. Do.	2,016.	..	..
Company's Rupees	7231.	350 pr. Do.	2066.	..	..
		Star Pagodas	21,750.	..	..

Trichinopoly 10th October 1812 — Errors Excepted pr. (Signed) Geo. F. Travers Collr.

A Duplicate letter and an Invoice on the above subject —

To the Collector at Madura

Para 1. Sir, Having received the instructions of the Board of Revenue to communicate with you on the subject of the best means of affording relief to the Districts under your charge, in the distress which they at present expe=rience in consequence of the failure of the early rains, I have the honor to state to you, that I shall most readily comply, to the full extent of the resources at my command, with these instructions, and for this purpose I shall be glad to receive such information from you, as to the extent of the aid you may require, and the best mode of affording it, as you may think it necessary for me to possess —

2 — I Deem it proper to mention to you that during the last 8 Months Grain has borne a very high price in this District — Paddy is now selling at 47 3/8 S. Ps. pr. Garce at the Ports on the Coast of Tanjour — In a Month hence the Car Crop will be cut, and by proper encourage=

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ment the Merchants may be induced to send a considerable supply of that Grain, to the Ports in Shevagunga & Ramnad. To excite them, to this, it may be desirable to be able to state to them, whether you will, on the public & account, purchase such supplies as they may trans=port to the Ports in question, and at what rate - It will be likewise proper to state to me for general information, from time to time, what the price of Grain may be in the principal towns of Shevagunga and Ramnad near the Sea Coast and in the interior with such other particulars as you may deem calculated to promote the object in view -

Sattangoody 12th Octr. 1812 - (Signed) J. Wallace
Collr. of Tanjore

Commissariat Office Southern Division

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a sett of Commissariat Drafts No. 11 in your favor for Star Pagodas Two, fanams Eleven, and Cash, Seventy-five (2..11..75) being the amount of Grain supplied by you to a detail of 14 Horses of the 3d Regiment Cavalry & shall be obliged by your acknowledging the receipt of the same -

Trichinopoly 14th October 1812 - (Signed) W. Ireland Jones
Asst. Comy. Genl.

Revenue Department -

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul -

Sir,

Para 1. In Continuation of the subject of my letters of the 5th and 6th Instant I am directed to enclose you copy of my letter to Government of the 6th Instant and Extract of the reply of Government dated the 14th Instt.

Letter to Govt. 6th Octr. 1812
Para 2 & 3.
From Govt. 14th Octr. 1812
Para 2 to 5 inclusive

You will state as soon possible what bounty (if any) you may consider adequate to afford encouragement to the importation of Grain into the ports within your District, and you will be guided in your opinion by a reference to the present selling price of Grain and by the price which grain may be expected to rise to, if the scarcity continues - you will not fail to keep the Board informed from time to time of the state of the season in your District, and the means the Inhabitants may have of procuring subsistance for themselves, their families, and their labourers -

3. The Board desire that you will furnish a weekly return of the retail selling price of grain in one or more of the principal Towns -

Fort St. George 15th October 1812 - (Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Extract of a letter to the Chief Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department Dated the 8th October 1812

Para 2 - "The Board have little to remark in addition to what is contained in the letter to Mr. Peter - The submit that the proposed exemption from duty for a farther period, of Grain exported to any place South of point Calymere be immediately notified - whether it may be expedient to grant a bounty on grain imported at any place between the Ports of Tondy and Keelkurry inclusive, is a farther question which the Board submit, with deference to the Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

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3 "The Board farther submit whether it might not be of advantage if advances were made to Merchants to a Certain extent to assist them in providing supplies of Grain for the Markets in Madura and Dindigul - if adequate security were taken for the repayment of the sums advanced, the Measure would not be likely to be attended with any loss"-

Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government Dated 14th October 1812-

Para 2. "By the enclosed Copy of an advertisement published under the orders of the Governor in Council you will observe that agreeably to your suggestion grain exported to any place south of Point Calymere will be exempted from duty until further notice"-

3 "The Governor in Council desires that you will state the amount of the bounty which you may judge it expedient to offer and the period during which should be paid" -

4. The Governor in Council observing that a great number of people have left the district in quest of subsistence directs that the Collectors in the neighbouring districts as well as the Collector in Dindigul and Madura may be directed to find employment for the lower orders in the construction of public works and to give them every other assistance in their power"-

5. The Governor in Council authorizes the

the Collector to make advances to the Merchants to ascertain extent under security to assist them in supplying the Markets if it should be considered necessary and the Merchants should apply for such advances, and trusts that no measures will be omitted which may tend to alleviate the distress of the Inhabitants-

(True Extracts) Signed) A.D. Campbell
Dy Secrety

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To the Collector of the Zillah of Madura-

Sir,

I have the honor of inserting in the Margin for your information the Names of Stages by which the undermentioned Troops will march through the Zillah of Madura-

This Detachment will arrive at the first stage inserted in the Margin on, or about the 20th Instant from Quilon to Trichinopoly-

Qr. Mr. Gls Office, Fort St. George 15th Octr. 1812- (Signed) C.C. Johnston
a. Qr. M. G.l

Detachment His Ms. 2d. Battalion 1st Regiment or Royal Scotts consisting of 414 Non Commissioned Rank and File-

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

Toombachee Gounden and Thauthanen &c agreeable to the request made in your letter of the 30th Septr. 1812 have this day been released by me- they having fur=nished, the required security, for their future good behavior-

Ramnad 16th October 1812- (Signed) W. O. Shakespear
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Commissariat Office Southern Division

To R. Peter Esq.re Collector Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a Commissariat Draft No. 14 for Star Pagodas 1914.. 31.. 55 One thousand Nine hundred and Fourteen, fanams Thirty-one and Cash Fifty-five, being the full amount of Paddy delivered to the Commissariat Servants at the following Stations and beg leave to request your acknowledgement for the same—

	G	M	P	F	C
At Madura —	25..	20	1377..	33..	60
At Dindigul —	3..	60	117..	40.	65.
At Ramnad —	8..	100	419..	2.	10
Total	36.	180	1914..	31..	55.

Trichinopoly 16th October 1812— (Signed) W Ireland Jones
Asst. Comy. Genl.

Commissarit Draft No. 14. 1812/13.

Exchange for Star Pagodas 1914. 31. 55

To the Commissary General Fort St. George.

Sir,

At sight of this my only Bill of Exchange, Please to pay to Captain L. S. Smith, Paymr. at Quilon, the sum of Star Pagodas One thousand Nine hundred and Fourteen, fanams Thirty-one and Cash Fifty-five, being in further part of my authorized Estimate for the Month of July 1812 and place the same to account of—

(Signed) W. Ireland Jones.

Trichinopoly 16th October 1812— Asst. Comy. Genl.

To the Collector in Madura

Sir,

In adverting to the scarcity pervading

your

your Districts the Board of Revenue have desired me to use every exertion in communication with you to assist the Inhabitants by encouraging by every means the export of Grain from hence -

In consequence of the total want of rain in the Coimbatore, Grain was very dear and promised to be more so daily; it was therefore my wish to ascertain before any measures were taken to ascertain the state of the Markets, lest an im=provident export might reduce this District to a similar state of distress - I have ascertained however that you may be supplied without any dangers to this Country to a considerable extent, especially since the late rains, which have caused the private granaries to be opened, the Ryots and Merchants & always on the appearance of the diminution of Crops, being known to accelerate the distress by an artificial scarcity - Should the rains in Madura not have had the effect of alleviating the distress, I will be obliged by your informing me on the subject - in the mean time I shall be prepared for any arrangement you may be desirous for me to make -

(Signed) W. Garrow
Collector

...covany 18th October 1812 -

Revenue Department

...clar) To the Collector in the Zillah of Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

...g.r of 1808 - I am directed by the Board of Revenue

...r of 1812 - to transmit for the use of your Office one printed Copy of each of the Tamul Regulations noted in the Margin, and to desire you will acknowledge the receipt of them -

...t. George 19th October 1812 - (Sig) A. D. Campbell
Dy Secrety

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity with XVII Section of Regulation I 1812. I transmit 109 Rowanahs under your Seal and Signature receiving at the Choukeys of Tanjour in the Month

(Signed) J. Wallace
Coll.r of Tanjore

Cutcherry of the Collector of Tanjour 19.th Octo.r 1812 -

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

I herewith return to you 1 Rowanah issued from the Choukey under your Charge & received at the Sea custom House here, in the Month of August last, as p.r accompanying List, that you may compare it with the Register in your Office -

(Signed) A Brooke
Coll.r Sea Customs

Cuddalore 20.th October 1812

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for your information Extract of a letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors under date 20.th March 1812 respecting the Police Establishment for Fusly 1217 which I request you will communicate to the Judge and Magistrate for his information -

(Signed) J. Mc Dowall
Civil aud.r

Fort St. George C.l aud.rs office 22.d Oct.r 1812 -

Extract of a General letter from England in the Judicial Department dated 20.th March 1812.

Para. 80.th

We reluctantly admit this article in Mr. Irwin's favour whose conduct we have in a preceding para found it our duty to censure the Magistrates of all the Zillahs must surely have been aware how necessary

necessary it was to fix their Police Establishments at the lowest possible scale of numbers and expense; and the circumstance of Mr. Irwin's omitting to obtain your previous sanction, would have warranted your charging him with the account—

(True Copy) Sig'd/ J. McDowall
Civil aud.r

To the Collector of Madura—

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9th. Section XVII of Regulation I 1812, I have the honor to forward 205 Rowannahs granted by you and received at the Choukies of Trichinopoly in the month of September last—

(Signed) Geo: F. Travers
Coll.r

Seerdeor Muntup 22d. October 1812—

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

Para 1. Adverting to the augmentation recently made by the Honorable the Court of Directors to the Establishment of Chaplains the Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that no necessity can in future exist for the performance of the Ceremony of Marriage by any of the Company's Civil Servants and accordingly desires that you will consider yourself precluded from discharging that part of the duty eventually assigned to you in the Circular letter dated the 31st March 1805.

2. The Governor in Council likewise desires that the same restriction may be considered applicable to the Ceremony of baptism, except in the case of such children as may be in a weak or precarious state of health—

(Signed) D. Hill
Secretary to Government

Fort St. George 23d. October 1812—

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Madura

Sir

Para 1st Referring to the letter addressed to you on the 25th August, directing your Account Current to be Copied in future on Demy Paper, as prescribed by the public Regulations of Government, I beg to return herewith the account for September, which tho' written on smaller Paper than was formerly used, still larger than the sort which ought to be used.

2d The size of Demy Paper which need be well known in your Office is — Inches 15 — long by — Inches 9½ broad when folded for an Account Current.

Fort St. George Accountt. Gl. Office 23d Octr. 1812. (Signed) Geo. Gahlow
Accountt. Gl.

To the Collector in Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you that I have this day despatched by Coolies the stamps indented for by you on the 22d ultimo.

An invoice of the quantity and quality is inclosed and I request that you will be pleased to transmit a receipt in the usual form.

Hitherto you have been supplied with unprinted Maufee Rowannahs but in the present instance you will receive the Number for which indented Printed as prescribed by the orders of the Board of Revenue.

Accompany you will receive extract of the Board's letter to me on the subject of the printed Maufee Rowannahs which will explain and point out to you the purposes to which they are applicable.

Fort St. George Stamp Office 23d Octr. 1812. (Signed) Geo. Moore
Supt. of Stamps

Invoice of Stampt Paper despatched for the use of the Collector in Madura -

(169)

Total of each Description	No. of Rolls	Sort No.	Description of Paper	Value of each Roll	Value of the several Description	Total value of each Description
	500.	2	Pleadings Plaint and Answers	2 Rupees.	1,000. ..	
1,000.	500.	..	Ditto ...... Ditto	1 Rupee	500. ..	1,500. ..
2,000.		2	Printed Malabar Maufee Rowannah	....	..	No Value
3,000.						
				Total Rupees --		1,500. ..

Fort St. George Stamp Office } E. E. Ffs.
23d. October 1812 -

(Signed) George Moore
Supt. of Stamps -

Extract of a letter from the Board of Revenue Dated 7th. September 1812 -

Para 4. The form of Maufee Rowannah transmitted to you with my letter of the 27th. Ultimo, is adapted to the Rowannah ascribed in Clause first, Section XVIII. Regulation I A.D. 1812 and in Clause first Section XIII. Regulation III A.D. 1812, which is altogether distinct from a Maufee Rowannah exempting goods liable to Duty from the Payment of Customs altogether you will point out this to the Collectors and as the Rowannah last mentioned is not in frequent use, the Board are of opinion that it is scarcely necessary to provide a supply of printed Rowannahs of this kind, but that it will be sufficient to continue the issue of unprinted Rowannahs at least until the stock on hand shall have been exhausted -

(a true Extract) Signed) Geo. Moore
Supt. of Stamps

To the Collector in Madura -

Sir

You will receive by the bearer the paper mentioned in my former letter of this date An invoice of the quantity and quality is enclosed and I request that the

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receipt may acknowledged — (Signed) George Moore.
Fort St. George Stamp Office 23d. Octr. 1812 — Supt. of Stamps

Duplicate

Invoice of Stampt Paper dispatched for the use of the Collector in Madura —

Total of each Description	No. of Rolls	Size No.	Description of Paper	Value of each Roll	Value of the several Description of Paper	Total Value of each Description
	500.	2.	Pleadings Plaint & answer —	2 Rupees.	1,000. ..	
	500.	..	Ditto .... Ditto	1 Rupee —	500. ..	
1,000.						1,500. ..
2000.		2	Printed Malabar Maufee Kowannah }	....	....	No Value —
3000.						
				Total Rupees —		1500. ..

Fort St. George Stamp Office 23d. October 1812 — } E. E. Ffr. (Signed) George Moore
Supt. of Stamps —

To the Collector of Madura —

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to enclose list of Tickets drawn prizes in the 1st Class the Tickets for exchange of those undrawn will be transmitted in a few days in the mean time I enclose thirteen Tickets of the 2d. Class for sale at 30 Pagodas each according to the terms of the advertisement now sent prize Tickets are to be received in payment Credit will be given in account for the prize Tickets returned as vouchers the remaining balance of Cash with that arising from the exchange of Tickets into the second Class may be reserved until the Close of the Lottery to defray the prizes that may be demanded at your Station — but it is absolutely necessary that all Tickets unsold or unrenewed on the 10th. December should on that day be sealed up, and returned that

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being the day fixed the Drawing of the 2d. Class the inattention shown on two occasions to similar instructions for the last Lottery having created much confusion in the accounts — It becomes my duty to require your particular attention to this point.—

(Signed) R. Fullerton
Supt. of Govt. Lottery

Fort St. George 23d. October 1812

General Department

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

I enclose to you an Indent from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Christy attached to your Zillah for a Pipe of Madeira Wine which has been supplied to him from the Import Warehouse, and request you will make the stipulated stoppages from that Gentleman's allowances as expressed therein, until the price of the Wine Pags. 132 shall have been discharged carrying the sums so received to the Credit of "General Treasury"—

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
A. G.

Fort St. George Accountt. Gls. Office 24th. Octr. 1812.

To the Superintendent of the Honorable Company's
Import Warehouse
Fort St. George

Sir,

Please to order the delivery of a Pipe of Madeira Wine (India Market) for my use, and for which I will pay in the usual mode through the office of the Accountant General in six equal stoppages from the amount of my Pay—

(Signed) M. Christy
Asst. Surgeon

Ramnad 14th. September 1812

(Signed) W. Murray
Commanding Ramnad

To be supplied at 132 Pas.
(Signed) Jas. Taylor
Supt.

Received the above Pipe of Madeira Wine, India Market,
Signed M. Christy —

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

Having been called upon to furnish the report required by the Government letter of the 28th November 1811 on the subject of which I had the honor to address you on the 3d. September 1812. I shall be obliged by your furnishing the information with which you may be able to assist me, with as little delay as practicable.

(Signed) J. S. Savory
Magistrate

Coimbatoor Magistrate's office 24th. October 1812.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st. Instant, I have the honor to acquaint you, that you have received Credit in the Accounts of this Collectorate, for the advance made in September to Mr. J. Read Senior Judge on Circuit, as pr. enclosed Extract of my Account Current in Duplicate for the Month of September 1812.

(Signed) Geo: F. Travers.
Collr.

Sirdoor Mundress 25th. Octr. 1812.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Enclosure in letter from Chief Secrety. dated 20th. Octr. 1812.

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit for your information, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Resident at Tanjore to the Chief Secretary to Government, relative to the arrangements by which the boundary Dispute between Tondiman and the Zemindar of Shevagunga has been adjusted, and to acquaint you that the Hon'ble the Governor in Council has been pleased to conform

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the Decision passed by Major Blackburn.

Fort St. George 26th October 1812. (Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have been at the seat of the principal border dispute between the Rajah Tondiman Behauder, and the Zemindar of Shevagunga, and to request that you will be pleased to lay before the Honorable the Governor in Council the following account of my Proceedings.

Having received from the Parties interested in the Boundary Disputes the declarations and engagements to abide by my Decision, which were prescribed by the Honorable the Governor in Council, and having been satisfied that the virulence of the Fever on the Borders was so much abated as to remove all just ground of apprehension from it, I proceeded to Pramally, a Hill on the Borders of the Pootoocottah and Shevagungah Provinces, 70 Miles S. W. Tanjour - I arrived at Pramally on the 25th of August, attended by Annunteah one of the Managers of Tondiman's affairs, and was met by Mr. Peter the Collector of Dindigul and Madura, and Ardangy Tomby, the Brother in law of the Zemindar of Shevagungah - On the following day the Zemindar himself arrived -

Anxious to justify the liberal confidence which the Honorable the Governor in Council had placed in me, and fully conscious of the partial and affectionate

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regard which I bear to the young Tondimans I was extremely solicitous the counteract the effects of my attachment to them, and to prevent it from operating, insensibly to myself I entreated Mr. Peter, in consequence, to meet me at Pramally, and take an equal part in the Decision. Mr. Peter very obligingly consented, and brought along with him two Surveyors, Messrs. Turnbull and Perrara, with plans of all the portions of disputed Land. I met Mr. Peter with a secret determination to submit my judgement to his in all cases in which our opinions should be irreconcilable. It is however with much satisfaction that I have the honor to inform you, that this contingency did not occur, that Mr. Peter's Sentiments and mine were invariably in perfect accordance, and that in forming the Decision, which I shall proceed to communicate to you, not a single difference of opinion took place between us. I acknowledge with pleasure that I have been much indebted to Mr. Peter for his cooperation on this occasion, and I trust it may appear to the Honble the Governor in Council, that the public service has been promoted by it in, at least, an equal Degree.

Our first days at Pramally were devoted to an attentive consideration of all the circumstances connected with the extensive Boundary Dispute in its neighbourhood, and to a careful examination of a plan of the disputed Land on a scale of 500 yards to an

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lines, for neither of them existed when I examined the Ground four years ago; each also had internal evidence of its falsehood, for each was carried through the Middle of extensive Lakes in some instances, and in others was so clumsily contrived as to cut off the Lakes from the Cultivation which depended upon them — Each party also in the new Lines had deviated considerably from its ancient pretensions, extending the claim three or four hundred yards into the adversary's Land further than at my former visit — The Shevagunga Borderers, who were the first visited by the surveyors, carried them considerably beyond the Line which they had marked out to me as the correct Boundary Line, and Tondiman's Borderers, when the surveyors called upon them to shew their line, took as much Ground on the other side in order to counterbalance the encroachment of the Shevagunga people — Both parties were equally willing four years ago to swear to their ancient Boundary line, both were equally willing to swear to the new one on the present investigation — It is worth observation that so careful was each party to prevent any weight of authority from accruing to the other from a superior number of Boundary stones, that from the point of Vaurputt Village near Pramally Hill, the real commencement of the disputed Land, to the other extremity of it at Cannavoypatty, the number

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of Boundary stones on each line is exactly equal.—

The contradictory Testimonies of Boundary stones were consequently set a side, as mutually destructive of each other.—

Both parties stated their occupancy of the disputed land at different periods, and wished to have their right to the land inferred from it.— Independently of the difficulty of ascertaining the truth of these assertions, from the falsification of the Village accounts, and the general tendency to falsehood in both parties, it appeared that in every case the occupancy was effected by violence, protested against by the opposite party, and continued only until that party had acquired courage or strength sufficient to destroy or carry off the Crops, and not unfrequently the Cattle of the Cultivators; That this occupancy was partial, never complete, but commonly confined to the cultivation of Land which bordered on the undisputed Fields of the parties; That this Cultivation, on both sides of the waste, appearing to be very nearly equal in extent, was confirmed, protempore to the respective Cultivators by me four years ago, and a strong prohibition issued to them, against interference with each other, and it further appeared that since the period abovementioned, very little additional Cultivation had taken place, and that the parts of the disputed Land which had been kept in a state of Cultivation by both parties, were actually so nearly equal in extent, that they could not

not furnish any just cause for complaint or claim to either —

The Shevagunga Borderers possessed no authority or Documents whatever, in support of their claim, excepting those which have been adverted to —

The Poodoocottah Borderers possessed something more Viz.t 1.st an alledged Decision in their favor by Captain R.d Chase, Secretary of General M. Horne, made in the year 1786. This alledged Decision is supported by the Testimony of Modeen Sahib, a pensioned Commandant at Trichinopoly who attended Captain R.d Chase, when he was sent by General Horne to settle the dispute. Modeen Sahib acknowledges that it is not in his power to retrance the line which Captain Chase marked out as the Boundary, but recollects perfectly, that it was favorable to the pretensions of the Poodoocottah Borderers. The Shevagunga Borderers admitting the visit of Captain Chase, deny that he made any decision, and the denial must be allowed, as the Poodoocottah people can produce no evidence of the Decision, excepting the vague recollection of the Commandant.

2.d An oath of the correctness of their Boundary line which was administered in a Pagoda in the province of Shevagunga to the Poodoocottah Borderers, in consequence of a special agreement with their adversaries — The Shevagunga Borderers admit that

that the oath was administered, but object to its legality, in consequence of their formal and previous protest against it and their refusal to attend on the occasion. This objection appears also to be a valid one -

3rd The solemn agreement of both parties that the Poodoocottah Borderers should run the Boundary Line, and the recession of the Shevagunga Borderers from the agreement, when the preparations for carrying it into effect complete - The Shevagunga Borderers did not actually recede from their agreement, but they insisted upon conditions to be applied to the man who was to run the Boundary Line, which had they been complied with, would have made it physically impossible for him to succeed - I directed the parties to abandon this mode of settlement, in consequence of their disagreement, and the Poodoocottah people are not entitled, + certainly, to engraft any pretension upon it -

After an attentive consideration of all the circumstances above stated, of the Land in dispute, the cultivation actually existing upon it, and its former state of cultivation, of which a Judgement was formed from the remains of numerous Lakes it appeared to Mr Peter and to me, that no Grounds existed on which we could decide the question, satisfactorily, in favor of one party or the other, and we determined, in consequence, to divide the Land between them, as equally as the necessary attention to local circumstances would

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admit — We considered that it would be mortifying to both parties to be deprived of any portion of the Land which they had cultivated for a series of years, and that as all this Land was under actual Cultivation, the reimbursement for seed and Labour, in the event of its being dismembered, would be exceedingly trouble=some and unsatisfactory, and could not equitably be dispensed with as the disputed Land extended along several Villages on both sides, and the industrious in many cases, if no compensation for their Labour was made to them, would be severely punished, and the idle preposterously rewarded; and as it further ap=peared to us also, that the Cultivated Land was nearly equal in extent on both sides and presented no obstacle whatever to an equal Division of the uncultivated Land we determined to leave each party all the Land which had been cultivated for the two last years, and to devide the remainder between them —

In considering the situation of the waste Land, we determined that where no Traces of ancient cultivation remained the line should be drawn so as to make an exactly equal Division, and that where the remains of Lakes, indicating former culti=vation should be liable to be intersected by this line, the line should be carried round each Lake, leaving it and the cultivation dependant upon it, to the party which should have the greatest Interest in it Viz: to that party within whose Limits the greatest portion of

of the Lake would have been found, if the Line of perfect equality had been continued —

Having thus determined on our Decision, Mr. Peter and I communicated it to all the parties interested Viz.t to the Heads of the contending Villages, and to Annuntiah, one of the managers of the affairs of Tondiman, and Ardanghy, the Brother-in-law of the Zemindar of Sheevagunga on behalf of their respective chiefs. The communication was made with the greatest possible Degree of attention to the feelings of the parties, the fullest explanations were given and the impossibility of adopting any other mode of settlement that would not have been liable to numerous and solid objections, was demonstrated to them. — We had the satisfaction to observe that no serious objection was made to our Decision, — Tondiman's people received it with respect and silence. The Zemindars discussed at some length, after which Ardanghy Tomby declared that he was entirely satisfied with it. The parties were informed that the Decision was final and irrevocable, and that no Deviation from it would be allowed on any pretence or consideration whatever, that the surveyors would be directed to mark out the Line with all possible expedition, and that Boundary stones with the impression of the seal of the Government upon them, would be placed at proper Intervals along the Line, The Heads of Villages on both sides were directed to attend the Surveyors —

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It was then observed to Annuntiah and Ardanghy Tomby, that the welfare of the two provinces required that an immediate stop be put to Boundary disputes between them, that an investigation into the Documents which each party might possess, would be a work of much time and labour, and that it was improbable that any satisfactory settlement would result from it; That the remaining portions of disputed Land were of small value, being chiefly Jungle, and that a Division being made before instead of after the Monsoon rains would give the advantage of an additional year to the cultivators - It was earnestly recommended, therefore, that the principle of Division which had been established in the disputed Land in the neighbourhood of Pramally should be adopted with respect to all the other portions of disputed Land between the provinces of Poodoocottah and Shevagunga -

This proposition was accepted by Annuntiah, in consideration of the advantage which it held out of stopping immediately and finally, all the contests on the Borders, but he observed that he sacrificed much to the wish for a cessation of those Disputes, as of the four remaining portions of disputed Land, one, and that the most important of the whole could be proved to belong entirely to Poodoocottah by evidences of the most decisive and unquestionable nature - Ardanghy Tomby without admitting the correctness of Annuntiah's statement &

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expressed his satisfaction at the proposal, and promised to obtain the consent of the Zemindar to it-

Our Decision was communicated to the Zemindar of Shevagunga on the evening of the Day on which it was passed. He expressed extreme dissatisfaction at it- He declared to my servant that his Line of Boundary stones ought in Justice to have been adopted and he shewed his displeasure to me in a manner not less improper as it regarded my mission than undig=nified and puerile as it regarded himself- I had treated the Zemindar with the most distinguished attention since we had been near to each other, and altho' he possesses no one attribute of dependant sove=reignty, being meerly a very opulent Landholder, I had so much consideration for his feelings, that I respected his assumptions even, and made a point with Mr. Peter that we should pay the first visit to him- I mention this, the highest compliment which can be offered to any native by a representation of the Honorable the Governor at Tanjour, and a British Commissioner on the Borders, in order to prove that I was truly solli=citous to conciliate the mind of the Zemindar by every effort in my power- His resentment against me for the Decision was inappeasable, and he returned in disgust to Shevagunga having previously given his consent in person, as well as through Ardanghy

Tomby-

Tomby, to the application of the proposed principle of Division to all the remaining portions of Land dis=puted by the Shevagunga and Poodoocottah Borderers.

After the retreat of the Zemindar, I received a letter from him, apologizing for his conduct. I accepted his apology, inadequate as I con=sidered it, rejoicing to be relieved from the necessity of transmitting a formal complaint against him, and entering into all the details of his behaviour, to the Honorable the Governor in Council. What I have stated above is not, therefore, to be considered as a com=plaint against the Zemindar, but merely as a repre=sentation of his dissatisfaction at the settlement, which it is my indispensable duty to report, I cannot attempt to conceal from the Honorable the Governor in Council, that neither of the parties is pleased with my Decision, and that one of them is entirely disgusted with it.

The manner in which the young Tondimans and their Durbar received the communication of the Decision was, however gentleman like, and sufficiently satisfactory to me. They did not conceal their belief that a portion of their just rights had been sacrificed, but they acquiesced in it cheerfully for the sake of peace, and from a sense of the delicacy of my situation, and of the difficulties which would have opposed any other mode of settlement.

The surveyors commenced their work on the day following the Decision. The Villages on both sides

sides attended to cut through the Jungle, and assist in placing the Boundary stones, which had previously been prepared - They were jealously watchful over their Interests, and threw many obstructions in the progress of the Surveyors, against whom they made several complaints. Their complaints were heard and decided on the spot - The principle of the Division was rigidly enforced, and no deviation from it whatever was admitted - In the course of a few days the Villagers perceived and acknowledged the propriety of a strict adherence to the Decision - They abstained from complaints which they were sensible could not be attended to, gave their services to the surveyors with encreasing cordiallity, and in a short time expressed their satisfaction at the strict imparteality with which the Boundary Line was traced -

On the day before my departure from Pramally a circumstance occurred which was a satisfactory proof to me that the interval of a fortnight only for reflection had been sufficient to reconcile the Villages, on both sides to my decision, and to enduce in consequence, the restoration of Harmony and friendship between them - The two Villages which had the greatest interest in the Boundary dispute Tricolamboor in Poodoocotah, and Naycopay in Shevagunga, were formerly on the most friendly terms with each other, and intermarriages were frequent between them - This intercourse, altho' subject to occasional interruptions, contained until four years ago, when the Zemindals Villagers of Naycopay were obleged to enter into an engagement to hold no further intercourse

with

with Tricolumboor, and to abstain rigidly from inter-marrying with its Inhabitants. This engagement was steadily adhered to and may be considered as a principal cause of the daily augmenting animosity of the parties. On the day before my departure all the principal Inhabitants of Naycopay and Tricolumboor waited on Annuntiah. They expressed their satisfaction at the settlement which I had made their happiness at the termination of their disputes, and their anxiety to return to their former Habits of social and friendly intercourse. They united, in consequence, in soliciting Annuntiah to request me to prevail upon the Zemindar to withdraw the interdiction which had been established four years ago. The plan, by Messrs Turnbull and Perara, which accompanies this letter, will I am persuaded, recommend itself to the approbation of the Honorable the Governor in Council, and place, in a very just point of view, the Talents, knowledge, and application of those Gentlemen. If it be not considered necessary to deposit this plan amongst the records of the Government at Fort St. George, I take the liberty of soliciting that it may be returned to me to enable me to have copies made by the Morchy painters for the purpose of presenting to Tondiman and the Zemindar, in performance of a promise which I have made to them, after which the original may remain in the Residents office at Tanjour, or wherever The Honorable

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the Governor in Council may be pleased to direct.

The forcible cultivation, by the Shevagunga people, of the fields marked 1-2-3 in the plan, in the midst of a portion of Land which had for a succession of years been occupied by the Village of Tricolumboor, gave rise to those contests which were reported to the Zemindar, and represented by him as unprovoked aggressions on the part of Tondiman's people, and which finally induceing the interposition of the Honorable the Governor in Council, have been terminated by an arrangement, not dishonorable or disadvantageous, I humbly hope, to either party, and Decisive of the future peace and tranquility of the Borders.

(Signed) W. Blackburne
Commissioner

Tanjour
3d October 1812.

(True Copy)
(Signed) W. Thackeray
Chief Secrety. to Govt.

Exd. (Sigd.) W. Grant.

(True Copy)
(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Depy. Secretary

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura & Dindigul

Sir,

Stages
Verdooputty
Teroomunglum
Madura.
Sholavandum
Amanaikpolliam
Dindigul
Yaryoode
Coochelliampary
Wellyanny
to
Carsoor.

I have the honor of inserting in the Margin for your information the names of the stages by which the undermentioned Troops will march through the Zillahs of Madura and Dindigul. Detachment Native Infantry 2d. Bn. 17th. Regt. strong 6 Lieuts. 2 Ensigns 6 Subidars 3 Jemedars 23 Havildars 13 Naigues 3 Puckallies 221 Sepoys and 24 Sepoy Recruits.

This Detachment will arrive at the first Stage on or about the 6th. December 1812.

(Signed) Benj. Neud
D. M. B. S. D.

Dy. M. G.'s Office in the S. D.
Trichinopoly 26th. Octr. 1812.

To the Collector of Madura Dindigul.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that a Detachment of H. M. Royal Scots of about 420 Men will enter your District on the route to Trichinopoly about 1st of November and I request you will do me the favor to direct your subordinate Officers to render every assistance to the Commissariat Conicopoly in procuring the requisite supplies that may be in their power.

I have the pleasure to enclose a copy of the route, and the supplies might either be provided at the several stages or at the intermediate Villages & when their Collection would be attended with more & convenience or facility to you, having in view however, that the daily consumption will be about 50 Sheeps. 210 Measures of rice and 25 of Salt. It would of course to preferable if the first mode could be observed, but if any causes should render it necessary to adopt the latter I should be much obliged to you to order an intimation of it to be given to the Conicopoly there he may not be disappointed and be unprepared.

Cochin 26th October 1812.

(Signed) P. Barclay
S. A. C. Genl.

P.S. I beg you will excuse the General manner I have been obliged to write you on this occasion not having any of my people and papers to refer to for more particular information at this place.

(Signed) P. B.

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Route from Trichinopoly to Trevandram by Madura Pullamcottah and the Arembooly Gate

	Stages recommended Miles	Furlongs		Stages recommended Miles	Furlongs
From Trichinopoly to Nagamunglom	10	3	Kytaur	16	6
Veramally Pagoda on a Rock	9	1	Syed Cawns Choultry	14	1
Coiloor	11	1	Pallamcottah West Gate	8	..
Toovarncoorchy	8	7	Naganchary	15	..
Collatoor	12	..	Poonagoody	16	..
Neblore	13	..	Arembooly	7	6
Teramboor	11	5	Nagur Coil	8	4
Madura	6	2	Parpanaverum	9	4
Tirremengolum	12	4	Cutchairy	10	2
Padah Petty	16	4	Nailangherry	11	2
Satoor	17	6	Trevanderam	11	6
Covilpetta	12	7			

Quilon Commissary Gl. office

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII of Regulation I 1812 I have the honor to forward 4 Rowanahs.

(Signed) R. Douglas
C. Rest.

Tinnevelly 27th October 1812.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause IX Section XVII of Regulation I 1812 I have the honor to forward 2 Rowanahs granted by you and received at the Chowkies in Malabar up to the end of last month.

(Signed) Thos. Warden
Collr.

Calicut 28th October 1812.

Being sent to this office by mistake under one Cover they are forwarded from hence.

Signed W. Garrow
Collector

Bhovany
2d November 1812

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letters under date the 26th Ultimo and 12th Instant and to acquaint you that the Board authorise the confiscation and sale of the smuggled goods noticed in the statements accompanying those letters and the distribution of the proceeds according to the regulations.

2. I am further directed on this occasion to transmit for your information and guidance the enclosed extract from a letter to the Collector in Cuddapah and to call your particular attention to the Boards remarks regarding the seizure of articles of trifling value.

Copy) Para 3d to the end of letter to Mr Ross dated 29th Octr 1812.

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St George 29th October 1812.

Extract from a letter to the Collector in Cuddapah Dated 29th October 1812. "

"The Board direct me to draw your attention to the following seizure.

	P.	F.	C.
Oil nuts of the total value of	"	3.	22
8 Seers of Ghee value	"	7.	40.
Earth Salt	"	"	19.
One piece of Turband	"	7.	77.
one piece of upper garment	"	15.	"
Ditto ... Ditto	"	15.	"
1 Piece of white Handkerchief	"	4.	55.
1 Do. of coarse Cloth	"	7.	40.

4 The Choukee servants in making these seizures

seizures have shewn much zeal but the Board apprehend have been the cause of much vexation and annoyance. The revenue from the trade of the Country not in the levy of a duty of every trifling articles in use. The Board trust that their orders of the 14th ultimo will have diminished the evils which the excess of zeal on the part of the Sayer Servants in making seizures was calculated to produce they recommend to you to examine with as much care as may be in your power the Statements of proposed confiscations and to employ your assistant in explaining on every opportunity that may offer to the Choukee servants the nature of their duty from your tariff should be excluded all vegetables and and trifling articles of garden productions used by the Inhabitants, and all articles of small value not intended for sale bought from retail dealers should be exempt from duty, the retail dealers in the first instance are the persons from whom the duty is to be levied."

(True Extract)

Exam'd (Sig'd) W. Grant

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secrety.

To the Collector of Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

Much inconvenience having been experienced by the Officers of the Mint in receiving the various currencies remitted to this Presidency, owing to frequent instances occurring of Coins being miscalled, I have to request that you will in future take special care to ascertain the real name of every discription of Coin that you remit.

Fort St. George Accountt. Genl's Office
29th October 1812.

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
A. Genl.

To the Collector of Dindigul and Madura.

Sir,

Herewith I transmit abstract of Bills received from you in the course of the month of September last.

Fort St. George Genl. Treasury 29th Octr. 1812. (Signed) Jas. Cochrane S. T.

Abstract of Bills received from Mr. R. Peter Collector of Dindigul & Madura in Septr. 1812.

No. of Bills as pr. Regr.	When received	Date of Bills	By whom Drawn	On whom Drawn	In whose favor	When accepted	At what sight	Amount	When Paid
	1812	1812	Transferable Bill						
181.	Septr. 20th	Septr. 22d	R. Peter	Post Mr. Genl.	Sub Treasurer	......	@ Sight	S. Pa. 28. 34. 40.	
			Cash receivable Bill						
154.	" 29th	" 23d	R. Peter	Arbuthnot Demonte & Co.	Ditto	....	Do.	Do. 100. " "	1812 30th Septr.

(Signed) Jas. Cochrane S. T.

To the Collector in the District of Madura

Sir,

It being of great importance that the general quarterly statements of the frontier trade prepared in this Office should be completed within as short a period as possible after the Close of each quarter, I am directed by the Board of Trade to request your early attention to the instructions forwarded to you under date the 15th August 1812, and to express their hope that the accounts of your District ending on the 31st of July last, will be ready for transmission on the receipt of this letter, and that you will be able to make arrangements for preparing the reports in future at an earlier period.

I am directed to add that it will not be necessary to exhibit the Trade of each frontier Chokee: A General statement for the District shewing the gross value of each

article

article of export and Import in separate columns will afford sufficient information -

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secrety

Office of the R. B. C. Fort St. George 30th Octr. 1812

To the Collector of Madura

Sir

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII of Regulation I A.D. 1812. I have the honor to forward the Rowannahs granted at the different Choukeys in your District and received at the Land Custom Office at this place as pr. Tamul List enclosed -

(Signed) T. Daniel
Commissr.

Tranquebar Commissioners Office 31st October 1812.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir

In conformity to section the XVII of Regulation I A. D. 1812. I transmit accompanying a number of Rowannahs as pr. enclosed list that have been issued in your District and received at the Sea Ports in the Province of Tanjore -

(Signed) F. Richardson
C. Resdt.

Nagore 31st October 1812 -

R. Peter Esqre.

My dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that I have remitted by Bill to Captain Smith Pay Mr. at Quilon, Two hundred Pags. to be paid on you calling for the same, in return for the same sum you had the Goodness to advance my Conicopoly at Dindigul in June last.

This 200 Pags. is included in a Commissariat Draft No. 16, for Star Pagodas 365, which I yesterday drew in favor of Captain Smith -

When you have received the same I shall be obliged by sending me the Conicopoly's receipt -

(Signed) W. Ireland Jones -

Trichinopoly 31st Octr. 1812 -

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward Accounts of Judicial expences of the Court in this Zillah for the Month of October 1812 and request that the amount of Star Pagodas 1592-22-30 may be discharged -

Ramnad 31st October 1812.

(Sigd) Geo. F. Cherry
Regr.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an Account of the Police expence of this Zillah for the Month of October 1812 - and request that the amount Star Pags. 913 and Fanams 22 may be discharged -

Ramnad 31st October 1812 -

(Sigd) Geo. F. Cherry
Asst. Magte.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII Regulation I A.D. 1812 I have the honor to forward 2 Row=annahs -

Durumpoory 1st November, 1812 -

(Signed) E. R. Hargrave
Collr.

Revenue Department

To The Collector in the Zillah of Dindigul and Madura.

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 8th ultimo, and to acquaint you that the Tariff which accompanies it, has received the Temporary confirmation of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

Date of sanction 27th Octr. 1812

Fort St. George
2d November 1812 -

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

With reference to your letter under date the 20th September last, I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit for your information the enclosed copies of a correspondence with Government, whence you will preserve that the payment of batta to your public servants on circuit, is sanctioned by the Honorable the Governor in Council, at the rate of fanams to Roysums, Gomastahs, and writers, and one fanam to Peons.

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George 2d. November 1812

Copy!
To the Chief Secy.
5th Octr. 1812
Extract Para 2.
From the Chief Secretary
23. Octr. 1812

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to submit the accompanying correspondence with the Collector in Dindigul and Madura & relative to the allowance of Batta to such of the public servants as attend him while on Circuit through the Districts.

From Mr. Peter
Dated the 24th Augt.
To Mr. Peter
Dated 16th Septr.
From Mr. Peter
Dated the 20th of
September 1812

2d. The pay of the principal servants in Mr. Peter's Cutcherry is in general smaller than that of servants of the same description, in other unsettled Districts, and the Board are therefore of opinion, that the indulgence proposed by Mr. Peter may be granted without impropriety.

3d. The Board accordingly recommend that Mr. Peter may be authorized to include in his estimates the charge for batta to servants attending him while on circuit at the rate of two fanams per diem to Roysoms, Gomastahs and

and writers and one fanam per diem to Peons -

4 - The additional expence it will be observed, will not in general amount to more than at the rate of 16 Pagodas per mensem, for the period during which the Collector may be actually engaged on the circuit -

Fort St. George 5th Octr. 1812 - (Signed) W. Oliver Secrety.

Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government Dated 23d. October 1812 -

2. "The Governor in Council sanctions the payment of batta to the servants attending the Collector in Dindigul and Madura on Circuit at the rate of two fanams per diem to Roysums, Gomastahs and writers and one fanam to Peons - (True Copy & Extract)

(Sig) W. Oliver Secretary.

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

Since the introduction of regulation II of 1812 in which, Section XVII directs the return of Rowannahs to the Collectorates whence, they have been issued, I have found grounds for believing that frauds to a considerable extent were committed before the publication of that regulation -

The mode in which they were perpetrated was as follows - the Choukedars collected the full customs on all goods passing through the Chouky carried half or less to account of Collections and embezzled the rest relying on the non return of the Rowannahs into the hands of the Collector, by whom they were issued - This I had long suspected and I have found that it has been a common practice especially when the Rowannahs were

were granted to remote situations I shall therefore feel much obliged by your enforcing that section of the Regulation as strictly as possible, in as far as it regards this District in retrospect since July 1811 as there are several of the Custom servants whose conduct I wish should meet with the full punishment of their demerits and I am desirous to ascertain the utmost extent of their Embezzlement -

(Signed) Wm. Garrow
Collr.

Bhowany 3d. November 1812.

To the Collector, Madura and Dindigul District

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a letter with proceedings of the Board of Trade under date 27th October and to request you will furnish me with a list of Villages where saltpetre may have been manufactured exclusive of Pylny and the Polliams also the number of Oopelliars in each Village - (Sd) Chas. Carpenter
Coml. Resr.

Salem 4th November 1812

Commercial Department

To the Commercial Resident at Salem

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit for your information and guidance the accompanying Extract from their Proceedings under this Date -

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secy.

Fort St. George 27th October 1812

(True Copy) Sd) Chas. Carpenter
Coml. Resr.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Trade Dated 27th October 1812 -

Upon a reference to the correspondence which

which took place between the 14th May and 4th September last it appears to the Board probable that the manufacture of Saltpetre in the District of Dindigul can be superintended more effectually and upon cheaper terms by the Commercial Resident at Salem than by the Commercial Resident at Nagore. Ordered that this circumstance be communicated to the Commercial Resident at Salem with directions to report as early as possible the quantity of Saltpetre likely to be procured by contract in Dindigul the price of it per Candy deliverable at Erroad or at the Factory of Salem, and the expense of superintending the Sale of the article for Home consumption.

(A true Extract) (Sigd.) J. Gwatkin
Secretary

(True Copy) (Sigd.) Chas. Carpenter
Comml. Resdt.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir

Para 1st I inclose for your information an Estimate of the expected state of your Treasury up to the end of December, founded chiefly on Documents furnished by yourself.

2d. From the appearance of this Estimate I am led to expect that by the 20th of December, your Treasury will admit of a remittance to the Presidency to the extent of Sixty Thousand Star Pagodas.

3d. It being of material consequence that the remittance shall be dispatched by the date specified, this early intimation is given to you, in order that every

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every measure requisite to ensure its punctual dispatch, may be adopted -

4th I request your attention to the prompt execution of these instructions - (Signed) Geo: Garrow

Fort St. George Accountt. Genl. Office 4th Novr. 1812 Accountt. Genl.

Madura

Balance on the 1st October by account Current	53,418
Demands Military bill No. 122	5,000
	48,418
Estimated Collections	2,608
Expected balance 1st November	51,026
Demands Military bill 150	2,500
	48,526
Estimated Collections	2,202
Expected Balance 1st December	50,728
Demands Military (supposed)	5,000
	45,728
Estimated Collections	38,461
Expected balance 31st Decr. 1812	84,189

(Signed) Geo: Garrow
Accountt. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to the Clause 9 Section XVII Regulation I Anno 1812 I have the honor to forward you 141 Custom Rowannahs issued from your Office which have been received here in the Month just expired -

Tinnevelly 5th November 1812. (Sigd.) Jas. Hepburn Collr.

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir

I have the honor to reply to your letter of the 21st September, enclosing two Rowannahs granted by the Chokiedar at Sheevellypatoor for Cloths, which are detained by at the Wootumpollam Chokie -

In consequence of the difference which you

you have discovered, between the quality of the Goods & actually brought, and those for which the Rowannahs were granted, moreover many of the Cloths being without the requisite Stamp, the Chokiedar of Sheevellypatoor was desired to state whether he stamped every piece; to which he replies in the affirmative, and upon & examination of the register of the Rowannahs issued in the District, Copy of which is Monthly forwarded to the Huzzoor, the Rowannahs have been correctly entered - However in this instance the Register agreeing with the Rowannah is no criterion of correctness for as it passed immediately out of this District into that of Madura, the first Chokie at which it is stopped, and where the agreement of the goods compared with the Rowannahs should be ascertained, certified on the Rowannahs and Registered, a difference is found -

It happened here a few Months ago, that a Rowannah had been granted for certain Cloths, a difference in quality being shortly after discovered, from that entered in the Rowannah, investigation was made and the Merchant acknowledged that he had disposed of the coarse Cloth in the neighbouring Villages and that he had taken the same number of a finer quality, which he had proposed to have carried to the place mentioned in the Rowannah, a false stamp had been affixed to the Cloth - With the exception of the stamp the case before you now, appears to be analogous -

Tinnevelly 6th November 1812 -

(Signed) Jas. Hepburn
Collr.

Exd.)
Sigd.) J. Hanbury
H. Asst. Collr.

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To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

Herewith I send you Ninety-one Lottery Tickets of those withdrawn, in the first Class to be exchanged into the second Class at the usual rate of 20 Pagodas each Ticket and request you will return all Tickets unexchanged on the 10th December (Sigd) R. Tulloch

Fort St. George 6th November 1812. Secy. Govt. Lottery

Rous Peter Esquire Collector &c. &c. &c. Ramnad

Most Honorable Sir

I most humbly beg leave to forward herewith the Monthly account of the Post Office of Madura for the Month of October 1812.

Madura Post Office 6th Novr. 1812 (Signed) Moottoosawmey

Writer in charge

To the Collector Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause IX Sectn. XVII Regulation I 1812 I have the honor to forward 4 Rowannahs.

Tinnevelly 7th November 1812. (Signed) R. Douglas

Coml. Resdt.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura &c. &c. &c.

Worthy Sir

I have the honor to forward the Account Current with the respective Vouchers of the Post office Department in the Zillah of Ramnad for the Month of October 1812. (Signed) Tanapah

Ramnad 7th Novr. 1812. Post office Writer

To R. Peter Esqre. Collector Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Bill for Vaccination allowances for last Month.

Dindigul 8th November 1812. (Sigd) J. Hostie Asst. Surgeon

Supt. Vaccn. Dindigul

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 29th Ultimo forwarding a statement of the extent of cultivation in the Current fusly (1222) compared with that in the preceeding year - and to desire that until the termination of the present season a similar statement be transmitted monthly to this office -

(Sig) W. Oliver
Secrety

Fort St. George 9th November 1812 -

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

With reference to the letter addressed to you under date 10th September last, I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit for your information, the annexed extract of a letter to Government from the acting Surveyor General, and to acquaint you that agreeably to his recommendation, the sum of Pagodas 34. 5. 42 being the expense of Colours &ca provided for the use of the assistant surveyors in your District has been sanctioned by the Honorable the Governor in Council and debited to the Survey Department, but that it is considered proper that all expences of a similar nature should in future be incurred under the orders of the Departt. to which they are ultimately to be charged - You will therefore submit all future estimates of charges

Copy enclosure in letter from Mr. Secrety. Hill 3. Novr. 1812

Date of Sanction 3. Novr. 1812

or

or accounts of actual disbursements to the Surveyor General and exclude every charge of surveyors from the accounts usually furnished to this Board -

Fort St. George 9th Novr. 1812 (Signed) W. Oliver
Secrety.

Extract of a letter from the acting Surveyor General Dated 25th October 1812 -

Para 1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 4th Ulto., and to report that the charge of Pagodas 34.. 5.. 42 incurred by the Collector of Madura for Colours &ca for the use of the survey carrying on in the Zemindary of Shevagunga, appears to me to have been necessary and should I conceive be passed, and carried to account of this department, as proposed by the Board of Revenue -

2- It may however be proper for me to observe, that when Colours are wanted by the Assist. Surveyors, application should be made to this Office, when they would be furnished, if necessary - If they could not be supplied from the Office, the authority of Government would be requested to be given for the purchase of them, a mode of supply which would seem to be preferable to that which had been followed on the occasion of the present charge -

3. Any contigent charge which may be incurred by the Assistants in the occasional repairs of Instruments, like that which is included in the bill sent by Mr. Peter, should in my opinion be submitted through the Surveyor General for the sanction of Government, & in-

in conformity to the rule which has been observed with respect to all contigent charges, since the formation of this Office -

(A true Extract)

(Signed) D. Hill Secretary to Gov.

(A true Copy) (Signed) W. Oliver Secretary

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

Referring to my letter dated 4th Instant, I have to request that in selecting Coins for the remittance therein ordered, you will give a preference amongst the silver Currencies to the following -

Pondicherry Rupees

Do ... Soolake Rupees

Mysore Rupees

Emauny Rupees

Companys Rupees

Do ... Soolake Rupees

Arcot Rupees

Bengal Sicca Rupees -

(Signed) Geo: Garrow Accountt. Gl.

Fort St. George Accountt. Gl. Office 9th November 1812 -

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Madura & Dindigal

Sir,

The instructions requesting the transmission to this Office of Vouchers for disbursements charged by Collectors to General Treasury circulated under date 6th April 1810, having been generally misunderstood, I have to inform you that the Vouchers required to be transmitted to this Office, are those for <u>all</u> charges belonging to General

General Treasury, except the following, which are to be sent with your other Vouchers to the Civil auditor—

Namely— Bills drawn on Collectors by the Secretary to Governmt. (which as they are issued from this Office are not again wanted here) Bills for Vaccination allowances and expences: (which, being are regular charge wherever incurred, and not transferrable to any other Departt. altho' charged for distinction, to "General Treasury", are required for auditing, by the Civil auditor)

2nd All other Vouchers on account of General Treasury are therefore to be forwarded to the accountant General, for the purpose of adjustment with the Departments to which they severally belong—

Fort St. George Accountt. Genl's. office
10th. November 1812—

(Signed) Geo: Garrow
accountt. Genl.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura
Sir,

I have herewith the honor to transmit the Abstract of Stoppages made in my Office, on account of Native Servants Fund, for last Quarter year—

Ramnad 11th November 1812—

(Signed) J. Long
Judge & Magte.

To the Collector of the Zillah of Madura
Sir,

Stages
Collatoor
Melloor
Terambor
Madura N. Gate
Tirrimunglum
Virdoopatty
Veepulputty
Coilputty

I have the honor of inserting in the Margin for your information, the names of stages by which the undermentioned Troops will march through the Zillah of Madura— This Detachment will arrive at the first Stage inserted in the Margin on or about the 7th of December 1812 from Madras to Palamcottah— (Sigd.) C. C. Johnston
A. Q. M. G.

Q. M. Gl's Office
Fort St. George
14th Novr. 1812.

The Detachment of the 1st Bn. 17th Rt. N. I. consisting of 55 Non Commissioned Rank and File

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

(Circular)

Sir

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to circulate for the information, and guidance of the Collectors the accompanying copy of a correspondence with Government relative to the Commission on the net Revenues derived from Salt, Sayer, abkary and the Tabacco Monopoly together with a printed Copy of the Rules which have been established in consequence, defining how that allowance is to be drawn, by Collectors in arrear and how for the future -

To Government dated 17th Septr 1812
From Mr. Hill dated 30th Octr

Fort St. George 12th Novr 1812 -

(Sig) W. Oliver
Secretary

To the Honorable Sir George H. Barlow Bart. K. B.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

Para 1. In a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department under date the 22d March 1809, we received the communication of the resolution of the Honorable the Governor in Council to grant an Extra Commission, upon the net Revenue derived from Salt, Sayer, and abkary in the several Districts to be divided in the proportion of two thirds to the Collectors and one third to the Assistants -

2. The considerations which influenced us to withhold authority for the receipt of this Commission, were briefly stated to the Collectors in a circular communication, Copy of which we have the honor to enclose -

To the Collectors dated 1st May 1809.

3. No limit had been prescribed as to the amount of Commission to be drawn, and we thought that the aggregate revenue arising from the several branches enumerated might, in certain cases, produce a large sum than the Honorable the Governor in Council either intended, or would consider it to be proper, to grant that protion, also of the Commission, proposed to be allowed to assistants had not been regulated with reference to cases where there might be two or more assistants, or where, on the other hand, there might not be any assistant-

4- Some doubt, moreover, existed with respect to the rate at which the Commission upon the abkary was to be drawn,— the orders of Government

Letter dated 22^d March 1809. Para 11.

which fixed the rate of Commission, upon the Salt revenue at 1½ p^r Cent, directed that the same should be consolidated with a similar Commission, upon the proceeds of the Sayer and abkary while Section XVII Regulation I 1808, had determined the rate of Commission, on abkary at 2½ p^r Cent, receivable by Collectors only without any mention, of assistants-

5. These, though the principal were not the only, considerations which induced us to direct that the receipt of commission, should be postponed until separate accounts should be furnished of the proceeds of each branch of the revenue— In requiring these accounts, we had proposed to ourselves the farther object of obtaining a distinct view of the disbursements in

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connection with the receipts, which last only are shewn, in the ordinary monthly and annual Statements of Revenue-

6. The want of punctuality on the part of some of the Collectors in furnishing these separate accounts was the primary cause of the delay which has taken place in bringing the subject before the Honorable the Governor in Council- To the present period, these, accounts are far from complete for each of the Fuslies on account of which the Commission is due, but as it is desirable that a subject involving the personal interest of all the Collectors should not be any longer delayed on account of the omissions of a few, we have recently obtained from the Office of the Accountant General a Statement which we trust will enable the Honorable the Governor in Council to pass his final orders on the subject-

7. This Statement exhibits the net revenue derived from salt, Sayer, (that is Land Customs) and Farms and Licenses during fuslies 1218. 1219. and 1220. respectively- At the period when it was prepared, the accounts for the lately expired fusly 1221, had not been wholly received-

8. The Honorable the Governor in Council will observe that in each of these three branches of Revenue, the increase has been progressive and considerable- the following is an abstract of the aggregate amount derived from the several branches

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in the three Fuslies, as taken from the Statement of the Accountant General.

		Salt	Land Customs	Farms and Licenses	Total
Fuslies	1218.	5,54,528. 13. 42.	3,53,038. 19. 41.	4,79,692. 2 73	1387258. 35. 76
	1219.	5,91,849. 9. 64	5,70,711. 37 63.	5,37,314. 9. 55.	1699875. 12. 22
	1220	7,26,140. 11. 50.	6,35,736. 13 35.	5,44,107. 33 8.	1905984. 13. 13.

9- We are enabled to state from the Monthly accounts which have been received to the 12th July, that the aggregate amount of these several branches of revenue in Fusly 1221, is demonstrative of the continued progress of improvement-

10- Under the head of "Farms and Licenses" are included, besides the abkary, upon which the Collectors and assistants are entitled to Commission, receipts from various sources to which the grant of Commission, under the existing orders, does not extend-

11- In the aggregate amount under the general head of Farms and Licenses for Fusly 1219. (Pagodas 5,37,314.. 9.. 55) is included a sum of Pag. 64605..13..27. on account of the rent of the pearl Fishery at Tutacoryn, and in the aggregate amount under the same head of Fusly 1220. (Pagodas 544107.. 33.. 8) is included a small balance of the rent of the same Fishery paid in this fusly, to the amount of Pagodas 3000- These are incidental & receipts which occur once only in the course of a series of years, but exclusive of these, the General head of "Farms and Licenses" comprises annually the revenue derived from

from the Tobacco Monopoly - from Chank and River Fisheries, and from sundry petty Farms in different Districts, exclusive of the Arrack and Toddy Farms, which do not perhaps constitute more than two thirds of the total amounts brought to account under the general head above stated -

12 We had proposed that the Statement furnished by the Accountant General should shew the abkary revenue only, separated from the other Items of receipt classed under the head of Farms and Licenses, but Mr. Garrow has explained that the several Items are not distinguished in the accounts transmitted by the Collectors to his office, and as the separate accounts required by us from the Collectors are not, as already mentioned, in a complete state, we have not the means of satisfactorily supplying the defect - We apprehend, however, that this defect need not preclude the early adjustment of the claims to commission after those points which require to be decided shall have been determined by the Honorable the Governor in Council -

13 - The doubt which has been mentioned with respect to the rate of Commission, intended to be allowed on the abkary revenue is not a doubt which we ourselves entertain - We are satisfied that it was intended to grant commission, as well upon the abkary as upon the salt and sayer at the General rate of 1½ per Cent divisible between the Collectors & Assistants

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respectively — but as that part of regulation I 1800 has not been rescinded, which grants 2½ ℔ Cent upon the abkary to the Collectors exclusively, and as some few of the Collectors have calculated their commission upon the abkary at this rate, it is advisable that the question should be determined by authority —

14. It does not appear to us that any fair objection can be raised against this change in the rate of Commission upon the abkary, since the same orders which directed it, granted much more than an indemnification in the farther allowance of Commission upon the Salt and Sayer —

15. In determining upon the maximum amount of Commission to be received by the Collectors and Assistants, it is desirable that it should be so regulated as to embrace the twofold object of affording a liberal, but not excessive, remuneration for their services, and at the same time of upholding that principle upon which the grant of the Commission was expressly founded — namely the establishing an interest not only in preserving unimpaired, but of improving & extending, the revenue derived from the several sources respectively —

16. On reference to the Statement accompanying it will be seen that the Collectors proportion (being one ℔ Cent) of the Commission exceeds in three cases only the sum of 1500 (Fifteen hundred) Pagodas ℔ annum. The three cases alluded to are the Districts of Canara,

Malabar

Malabar, and Nellore - but the accompanying State=
=ment, as before explained, includes Items to which the grant of Commission, does not extend - Such is the revenue from the Tobacco Monopoly in Canara and Malabar which constitutes by far the largest portion of the amount appearing under the head of Farms and Licences in these Districts - By excluding this Item, the amount of the Collectors share of Commission is reduced about 300 Pagodas ℘r annum in Canara, and in Malabar in about 500 Pagodas ℘r annum leaving to the former (in the most favorable of the three years to which the Statement applies) somewhat more than 1200, and to the latter somewhat less than 1100, Pagodas ℘r annum -

17. Nellore, therefore is the only District wherein the Collectors share of Commission upon the extra sources of revenue at present exceeds the sum of 1500 Pagodas ℘r annum - The amount in Fusly 1220 was Pagodas 1739 .18 .40 + and it will be somewhat more in Fusly 1221 - In Fusly 1219, it was Pagodas 1221. 7. 3 only - the increased amount of Commission during the two last years is of course the result of the very great improvement which has taken place in the revenue upon which it is calculated -

+ Note - This includes commission to a very small amount on a few trifling Items of Farms and Licenses not exceeding 200 Pag.s in the aggre=gate to which the grant of Commission does not extend -

18. In every other District the amount of the Collectors share of the Commission falls far short of 1500 Pagodas ℘r annum - the highest amount is that of the Collector in Tanjore which, in the most

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favorable of the three years (Fusly 1220) was Pagodas 1213.. 26.. 30 only, according to the accompanying statement, and from this sum a deduction must be made in consequence (as has been already explained) of certain Items being included in this statement under the head of Farms and Licenses upon which Commission is not granted.

19. Assuming, therefore that the maximum amount of Collectors Commission, were fixed at Pagodas 1500 and consequently the maximum amount of the Assists. Commission at Pagodas 750 ℔ annum, great scope would still be left for the operation of the principle of giving an interest to the public servants in the improvement of the revenue, for with the single & exception of the District of Nellore, it will be seen that a very considerable increase of revenue must take place 'ere that maximum would be attained – In Tanjore, for example, where the Commission upon the revenue, as it at present stands, is at the next highest amount, the maximum would not be attained with an increase short of 30,000 Pagodas ℔ annum –

20. As many and weighty objections & might be urged against any grant of allowances liable to be carried to an indefinite extent, it seems to us to be necessary that some limit should be fixed. and in recommending the maximum above stated, we are of opinion, that while, as already shewn, it affords considerable scope for the further improvement of the revenue, it

it is not such as to raise the emoluments of the officers receiving it, beyond what may be considered a reasonable amount.

21. The following memorandum will shew the highest amount receivable under this arrangement, by the Collectors and their Head assistants in the Districts which have been settled and in those which have not been settled in perpetuity.

		Pag.	
Collectors of Districts not settled in perpetuity	Salary and Commission upon the Land Revenue limited to	7500	
	Maximum amount of Extra Commission	1500	
		9000	p^r annum
	or	750	p^r Mensem
Collectors of Districts settled in perpetuity	Salary and Commission upon the Land Revenue limited to	4800	
	Maximum amount of Extra Commission	1500	
		6,300	p^r annum
	or	525	p^r Mensem
Head Ass^t. in Districts not settled in perpetuity above three years standing	Salary	1,200	
	Maximum amount of Extra Commission	750	
		1950	p^r annum
	or	162½	p^r Mensem
Head Assistants in Districts not settled in perpetuity under three years standing	Salary	900	
	Maximum amount of Extra Commission	750	
		1650	p^r annum
	or	137½	p^r Mensem
Head assistant in Districts settled in perpetuity	Salary	600	
	Maximum amount of Commission	750	
		1350	p^r annum
	or	112½	p^r Mensem

22. To the arrangement here proposed the only objection, which occurs to us is that when the aggregate

revenue

Revenue from Salt, Sayer, and Abkary shall hereafter amount in other Districts besides Nellore (as we may reasonably hope it will) to a sum affording the maximum amount of Commission, the Collectors and Assistants will, in that case, have no immediate interest in farther & extending it -

23. One mode suggests itself to us, and one only, of obviating this objection, which is by relaxing from the proposed maximum in favor of the particular Individuals by means of whose exertions the revenues may be so raised as to yield the excess of Commission here contemplated - in other words by declaring the present rates of Commission, fixed as far as regards the present Collectors and liable to Modification upon occasions only of a change of management -

24. Consistently with the object of this arrangement, and without essentially departing from its principle, we are of opinion, that the Commission of the Collector in Nellore might be limited to the sum of 1500 Pagodas upon the aggregate amount of revenue from Salt, Sayer and Abkary as it stood in Fusly 1221, and that no greater sum should hereafter be permitted to be drawn, by Mr. Fraser excepting upon any excess of revenue beyond the amount realized in Fusly 1221 -

25. We are of opinion, that Mr. Fraser & cannot reasonably object to this arrangement - It is true that the present amount of the revenue from Salt, Sayer and Abkary in the Nellore District yields (at the General rate of Commission) upwards of 200 Pagodas ℔ annum

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beyond the proposed maximum but the circular communication before adverted to, of the 1st May 1809, expressly reserved for future determination the propriety of reducing the rate of Commission, in cases where the aggregate amount of the revenue might be more than ordinarily considerable - and if Mr. Fraser's Commission should be limited in the manner which we have proposed, he will still receive more than any other Collector at present receives, and will be entitled to the farther advantage which may result from a further extension of the revenue -

26. We do not think that it would be adviseable to make any greater reduction than that which we have proposed with regard to Mr. Frasers Commission - nor that the proposed limitation should have a retrospective operation beyond the commencement of the current Fusly - because some credit is certainly due to Mr. Fraser for the great improvement which has taken place in the revenue during the last two years - and because, although the Commission upon the revenue of these two years exceeds the proposed maximum, the average Commission of the four years from Fusly 1218 inclusive, falls considerably short of it -

27. But though in this particular case where no change of management has occurred, we are of opinion that no greater reduction should take place than that which we have proposed it will be proper

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in general cases consistently with the principle which we have recommended, that upon the occasion, of any new appointment of a Collector to a District the revenue of which affords a commission, equal to or exceeding the proposed maximum of 1500 Pagodas, the commission receivable upon the actual revenue should be limited to a sum somewhat below that amount in order to leave room for improvement without exceeding the maximum (if it can be so called) for in fact under the qualification proposed of making no reduction with regard to existing incumbents, it is not absolutely a maximum but rather a regulating point by which the Commission is to be occasionally adjusted.

28 The Commission receivable by the Collectors in Canara and Malabar, it has been already stated, falls considerably short of the amount shewn in the accompanying Statement, which (besides some smaller Items) includes the revenue arising from the Tobacco Monopoly –

29. So far as concerns the past these Collectors will we presume be allowed to receive the Commission due upon the revenue from land Customs, Salt, and Abkarry only, but we are of opinion that, from the commencement of the Current Fusly, it would be advisable that the grant of Commission should extend to the revenue derived from the Tobacco Monopoly, which we think might be effected without incurring any material increase of expense –

30 We would propose, with this view, that the amount of the commission due to each of these Collectors for Fusly 1221, be the limit of their receipts to the extent of the aggregate amount of revenue derived in that Fusly from Salt, Sayer, abkarry and Tobacco and that on the future excess only beyond that aggregate amount, Commission be allowed at the prescribed rate – the effect of this arrangement will be to grant no commission upon the present amount of the Tobacco revenue but only on the future increase –

31 – The next and the last point requiring to be decided upon is the principle of distribution to be observed with regard to that portion of the commission (one third) allotted to assistants –

Para 21 – 32 – In a preceeding part of this report, we have assumed that this portion of the Commission is to be wholly received by the Head assistants we have been always of opinion, that this ought to be the arrangement, and we believe it has been generally understood that it would be so determined – if this portion of the Commission were farther sub-divided, it would be of no great value to any of the parties receiving it – but granted exclusively to the Head Assistant, it forms a material addition to the emoluments of the situation – and must render the appointment an object desirable of attainment by the Junior branches of the service –

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33\. We recommend accordingly that the Gentlemen who have respectively held the situation of Head Assistants in the Districts of which the Land revenue is not settled in perpetuity be permitted to receive the of commission which is due, upon the principle above stated.

34\. In the Districts of which the Land revenue is settled in perpetuity, it has not hitherto been customary to appoint Gentlemen with the designation of Head Assistants. The occasional appointment of Junior servants to the situation of Assistant in these Districts has generally, we believe, taken place without any reference to, or expectation on their part, of emolument beyond the salary of 50 Pagodas ꝑ Month ordinarily attached to the situation of Assistants.

35\. We would recommend that in future the designation of Head Assistant be not confined to Districts the Land revenue of which has not been settled in perpetuity, but that it be extended to the other Districts, whenever the Honorable the Governor in Council may see fit, it being at the same time understood that the Salary of Head Assistants in Districts of which the Land revenue is settled in perpetuity shall not be increased beyond the present amount of Assistants salary in such Districts (Vizt 50 Pagodas ꝑ Month) but that the only additional emolument of the Head Assistant in these Districts be that which may arise from the Commission upon the revenue from Salt, Sayer, and Abkary.

36\. In many of the Districts settled in perpetuity the

the revenue from these sources is considerable, and presents a sufficiently ample field for useful employment to those who may be duly qualified –

37 In recommending that the assistant's portion of Commission shall, in all cases, be receivable by the Head Assistants exclusively, we desire to be understood as intending that it shall not in any case be received excepting by those who may be expressly appointed by Government to the situation of Head Assistant in cases either where there may be no assistant or where there may be an assistant or even more than one assistant neither of them having been specially nominated Head Assistant, we propose that the Commission should remain undrawn and be carried to the public account –

38 We are not aware of any case at present of two assistants standing appointed to the same District without either of them holding+ the place of Head Assist. but it is not impossible that such a case may hereafter occur – with respect to the other case adverted to, of a sole assistant who has not been nominated Head assistant it applies to all of the few persons who have held the appointment of assistant in Districts permanently & settled –

+ Note – There are a few instances, we believe, in which the senior assist. drawing the salary of · and considered as Head Asst. has not through some official omission been expressly denominated Head Asst. – such omission (which it is proper should be rectified) will not of course operate to the disadvantage of the parties concerned –

39. Generally speaking, these Gentlemen, as already observed, we appointed without any expectation of emolument beyond the established salary – but there may be, and we have reason to believe there are, some cases in which they have been usefully employed and may have

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established a claim to be regarded in the light of Head Assistant.

40. We would beg leave to propose that the claim of such Gentlemen should be specially considered and that in communication with the Collectors, the period be determined, from which they shall be admitted to receive Commission, as Head Assistant—

41. We believe that the observations contained in the preceeding part of this address extend to every point requiring to be determined so far as relates to the principles by which to regulate the receipt of commission on the revenue from the several sources enumerated — and when the Honorable the Governor in Council shall have decided thereon, we submit that authority be granted for the distribution of the amount due, under the direction and control of the Civil auditor, in communication if necessary, with the office of the accountant General and that of the Board of Revenue—

42. We have before (in Para 5) taken occasion to remark that the ordinary annual reports of Collectors as well as the Monthly accounts transmitted to the Board of Revenue have no reference to charges, but only to Revenue, the former, that is, the charges, being provided for in estimates separately submitted for sanction. — We have also remarked that in order to obtain a connected view of the receipts along with the disburse-ments — in other words a view of the Gross receipts charges, and net revenue for each branch, particular accounts so were required in a prescribed form

43. It is necessary we should here state

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that the particular accounts so furnished have not been found in every instance to accord with the general accounts — the gross receipts for example, have not been always found to accord with the amount entered in the statements of demand, Collection, and Balance — nor have the gross receipts, charges and net receipts been found always to correspond with the sums entered under these respective heads in the annual Fusly statements prepared in the Office of the accountant General —

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Orig.l Enclosure A in Mr. Garrow's letter 17th. Inr Cons 20th August 1812 —

44. The Statement which accompanies this letter has been compiled in the Office of the Accountant General from the Fusly statements above adverted to, and in exemplification of what we have stated with respect to the discordance between these statements and the particular statements furnished to us by the Collectors, we will quote an instance from one of the latter now before us, recently submitted by the Collector in Nellore —

45 In this account the Net Revenue from Sayer or Land Customs in Nellore for Fusly 1219 is entered at the sum of Pagodas 17,308.. 20.. 48 and the Net Revenue from the same source in Fusly 1220 at the sum of Pagodas 25715.. 4.. 01 instead of Pagodas 17417.. 39.. 71 and Pagodas 25783.. 13.. 01 as entered in the accompanying statement furnished by the Accountant General, which is taken, as already observed, from the annual Fusly statements —

46 Similar discrepancies are observable in many other of the accounts which we have received, and though we have no doubt that they are susceptible

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of explanation, the task of reconciling them, would be tedious and foreign, we apprehend from the proper duties of the Board of Revenue — in fact, we saw, at an early period, that an attempt to compile in this Office accounts of this kind for any practical purpose would be attended with delay and inconvenience, while the duty would be much more readily and more correctly performed in the proper Offices of account —

47 — The Civil auditor will of course satisfy himself of the accuracy of the amount of Net Revenue upon which Commission is to be drawn and he will be at liberty, if he should find it necessary in any case, to have reference to this Office or to that of the accountant General —

48. It has been suggested in a former part of this letter that upon the occasion of any change of authority in a District the Revenue of which yields a Commission equal to, or exceeding, the proposed maximum of 1500 Pagodas, the amount receivable upon the actual Revenue be brought back to a sum short of that amount —

49. If this suggestion should be approved it will be proper that the Civil auditor, upon all such occasions, should lay before Government (either through the Board of Revenue or direct as may be determined) a statement of the Revenue and Commission thereon for a period not less than the two or three years last preceeding in order that the sum receivable upon a given amount of Revenue may be fixed, it being understood that if the Revenue should thereafter fall below the

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sum for which a certain amount of Commission has been so fixed, the amount of Commission is to be proportionately reduced, even though the Revenue should be sufficient to yield the full amount of Commission, at the General rate - and, on the other hand, that if the Revenue should thereafter exceed the sum for which a certain amount of Commission has been determined, the excess shall be receivable by the Collector without any limitation, so long as he may continue to hold the appointment.

50 It is scarcely necessary to add that it will be the duty also of the Civil Auditor to be careful that the amount received in Salary and Commission in no case exceed the limit prescribed by the act of Parliament. We have merely adverted to this point because in the instance of Assistants who have not been resident three years in the Country their receipts in Salary and Commission are liable to exceed 500 £ p. annum or Pagodas 164 .. 9 p. mensem, unless care be taken to enforce the restriction whenever it may be applicable -

Para. 41. 51. We have already had the honor to submit that authority be granted for the distribution of the amount of Commission which is in arrear. We beg leave to add a recommendation that from the commencement of the Current Fusly, the Commission be drawn monthly by the Collectors and Assistants, to the extent of two thirds of the amount to which they may be respectively entitled leaving the remaining third to be drawn at the end of the Fusly after the accounts

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shall have been examined and adjusted by the Civil Auditor.

52\. Upon the close of each Fusly after the examination and adjustment here proposed haveing taken place, we submit that a general account thereof should be furnished to Government by the Civil Auditor, either through the Board of Revenue or direct as the Honorable the Governor in Council may be pleased to determine.

53\. On examining the accompanying Statement the Honorable Governor in Council will observe that though the Revenue from different branches has fluctuated, the aggregate Revenue from Salt, Sayer and Abkary has in almost every District improved progressively and to a very considerable extent.

54\. To this observation there is scarcely one exception besides the Island of Seringapatam, upon the Revenues of which no commission is allowed, the emoluments of the Magistrate and Collector being limited to a Salary of 450 Pagodas ℘r Mensem.

55\. We submit to the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council that it would be a better and more advantageous arrangement to fix the Salary at 400 Pagodas ℘r Mensem with a Commission of 5 ℘r Cent upon the Net Revenue, which calculated upon the average net Revenue of the two or three last years, would amount to about 75 Pagodas ℘r Mensem.

56\. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the receipt of the letter from the Chief Secretary to Government under date the 29th February last referring

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for our consideration, a claim advanced by Mr. C. M. Smith to Commission upon the Revenues of Seringapatam for the period during which he officiated as Assistant to the Collector upon that Island.

57. We have before remarked that the allowances of the Magistrate and Collector have been hitherto fixed at 450 Pagodas per Mensem and we are not aware that any intention was ever entertained of granting a Commission to the Assistant, which we consider to be the less necessary as the Superintendence of the Collector must be fully adequate, without any Assistance, to the due administration of the very limited Revenue under his charge.

Fort St. George
17th September 1812

(Signed) Thomas Oakes &c.
Members.

(True Copy)
(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

(Signed) W. Grant.

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

Para 1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your very distinct and satisfactory Report with regard to the Commission to be allowed to Collectors and their Assistants on the Net Revenue derived from Salt, Sayer, Abkary and Tobacco and to inform you that, with one considerable exception, the Honorable the Governor in Council concurs in all the views of the subject and has adopted all the propositions therein submitted for his consideration.

2. The exception relates to the maximum

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which you propose that the Commission allowed to Assistants should not exceed - The necessity of fixing a maximum for the Commission of Collectors arises from the largeness of the sum to which their allowances, if unlimitted might in some few instances amount it would otherwise be preferable, with a view to the public interests, that the allowances of Collectors should go on increasing in the same proportion, as the revenues under their superintendence - but this necessity does not exist in the case of Assistants, whose allowances in other respects are fixed on so moderate a scale that it appears unnecessary to modify or restrict the beneficial operation of the principle according to which revenue Officers obtain a direct and proportionate interest in the increasing revenues of the state -

3 - This general view of the matter is confirmed by the consideration, that the allowance of Commission will be received only by Head Assistants, who, it may be presumed, will be servants of some years standing and that the branches of revenue from which the Commission is to be derived are of a matter to be particularly committed to the care of Assistants and improved by means of their personal exertions, under the general superintendence and control of the Collectors -

4 - There is another point on which, in order to prevent misconception, it seems proper that the views of the Government should, at the out-set be expressly stated agreeably to your suggestions, the

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average net revenue realized from Salt, Sayer and abkary in the three last fuslies is to be taken as the present standard amount of the revenue derivable from those sources and a commission of one per cent on that amount is to be considered as the standard commission — Commission surplus to the standard Commission is to be allowed only upon revenue sur=plus to the standard revenue, and the standard Commis=sion is to be reduced in proportion to any reduction of the standard revenue — In like manner which a new Collector is appointed to any district a new standard is to be established both for the revenue and for the Commission, and the Commission is to be increased or reduced on the principle above described — What it seems proper to explain is that the Governor in Council has not overlooked the consideration, that the revenues may some times, from causes foreign, to the superintendence under which they are collected, be diminished without any fault or increased with=out any merit on the part of the Collector — But, as the case well be otherwise in by far the greater number of instances, and as it is particularly desirable that arrangements like the present should be esta=blished upon general and determinate principles and should leave no room for ambiguity or solicitation, the Governor in Council, after taking into consideration all the bearings of the question, has deemed it expedient to adopt the arrangement suggested in your report —

5- With these observations I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of the rules laid down for the adjustment of the Commission &c allowed on the Net Revenues derived from Salt, Sayer, Abkary and the Tobacco Monopoly-

6- For the reasons which you have &c alleged the Governor in Council has been pleased to fix the Salary of the Judge and Magistrate and Collector of Seringapatam at the sum of four hundred Pagodas per Month and to allow him a Commission of five per cent on the Net revenues of the Island-

7- The Governor in Council concurs in your opinion that the claim preferred by Mr. C. M. Smith to a Commission on the revenues of Seringapatam for the period during which he officiated as assistant to the Collector is without foundation-

Fort St. George
30th Octr. 1812.

(Signed) D. Hill
Secrety. to Govert.

(True Copy) (Sigd) W. Oliver
Secretary

(Sigd) W. Grant.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

(Circular)

Sir

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to inform you that it is the desire of the Honorable the Governor in Council that you will not interfere without special orders in the grain trade or prevent the free import export or transmit of grain in the District under your charge now or at any future period-

Fort St. George
13th November 1812-

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Revenue Depart.

To the Collector of Dindigul and Madura.

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit for your information and guidance the enclosed extract from their Proceedings under date the 5th Instant, together with the address therein referred to.

2. It is desirable that the farther communication required by the Board, with respect to the Age of the adopted son of the late Raunee at Ramnad, should be furnished as soon as possible, & mean while, should any arrangement, other than that which exists, appear to you to be required for the due management of the Zemindary, you will submit the same for consideration.

3. As the right of Mostoo Vezia Ragoonada to the Zemindary (however it may be questioned) cannot be disturbed excepting by a regular Decision of the Courts, he must, until such Decision take place, be regarded as the rightful owner of the Zemindary and if the farther communication, which you have been desired to furnish, should not lead to his being placed in immediate possession, he will nevertheless be regarded as Zemindar, and must of course receive a suitable allowance for his support and all the respect due to his situation.

4. Upon this point you will communicate personally with the Zemindar, and you will make it your particular care to relieve his mind of those apprehensions with

with which he appears at present to be impressed -

Fort St. George 13th November 1818 - (Sigd) W. Oliver. Secretary

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Dated 5th November 1812 -

Read again letter from the Collector of Dindigul and Madura dated the 7th June together with the Petition from Mootoo Vizei Ragoonada, the adopted son of the late Raunee of Ramnad dated the 17th August -

In the Report to Government relative to the disputed succession, to the Zemendary of Ramnad, the Board of Revenue stated their opinion that the Will of the late Raunee should be considered to constitute suffi=cient authority for allowing possession to the adopted son in the first instance, leaving to the parties out of possession the option of resigning their Claims or pre=ferring them by a regular suit in Court -

In the same Report it was mentioned that the adopted son (as was understood) had not fully attained to Majority, and that if, therefore, his right to the possession of the Estate in the first instance should be acknowledged, he would for some short time be subject to the superintendence of the Court of Wards -

The Minister of the late Raunee, Teagaroze Pilloy, had in the mean time been continued in the manage=ment of the Zemendary, under the orders of the Collector, an arrangement which was also noticed in the Report above adverted to -

The Honorable the Governor in Council concurred in the opinion of the Board of Revenue that the alleged

alleged adoption and bequest by Will of the Zemindary of Ramnad to Mootoo Vezia Ragoonada by the late Raunee afforded sufficient ground for allowing him possession in the first instance, leaving to the party or parties out of possession to contest the right to the Zemindary in the Courts of Judicature —

In the letter from the Collector of the 7th June, in answer to that part of the Board's letter which directed him to ascertain and report the exact age of the adopted son of the Raunee, he stated that he had experienced some difficulty in obtaining the information desired, as those only from whom it was possible for him to gain any correct intelligence, he had found prejudiced on one side or the other, and of course their testimony had tended to favor that party to which they were attached — He submitted, however, as the information most to be relied on, that the adopted son of the Raunee was born on the day corresponding with the 28th April 1796, making him at this time somewhat more than sixteen years of age —

It has on the other hand been strenuously asserted by Mootoo Vezia Ragoonada, that he was born on the day corresponding with the 15th April 1794 and that he is consequently now in his nineteenth year — In support of this asseveration, he has stated in one of his addresses to the Board, that he was married five years ago, and is the father of Children, and he offers to establish the proof of his majority before the Zillah Court —

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The interest which the contending parties have in misrepresenting the fact, is sufficient to cast doubt upon their respective statements. It is necessary either that Mootoo Vizei Ragoonada should be put in exclusive possession or that Teagaraje Pillay or some other person should be duly confirmed in the Office of Manager under the Court of Wards.

Resolved therefore that the Collector be directed to go into a full examination of the testimony of the different parties and to submit the whole of the evidence in writing for the Consideration of the Board, accompanied with his final opinion, on the subject, shewing the grounds upon which it is founded.

Resolved to require the Collector to inform the persons who may be called before him, that their evidence must be considered as given under the obligation of an Oath, and that the parties may hereafter be called upon to swear to their depositions. The Collector will explain to the adopted son of the late Raunee that the enquiry thus directed to be made need not prevent his applying to the Court to be put in possession of the Zemindary. should he prove his majority before the Zillah Court he will immediately be placed in the exclusive management of the Zemindary.

Resolved, in the mean time, that the arrangement which has been made for the temporary management of the Zemindary, by Teagaraje Pillay, under the directions of the Collector, be confirmed, subject to the

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approval of the Honorable the Governor in Council."

(True Extract)

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

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என்னவென்றால்.

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பணியாக்கிரமக்கடையும் தரோகங்களையும் அறிந்து கொண்டிருக்கில்
யெழுதிவிடுயாது — நான் அனந்தகோடி சிந்தனை வந்து சென்னமாதி
அதுமுதல் ஞானத்துவனையால என்னத்துபத்தொன்பது வயசு நடக்கக் கொ
ஞ்சமுமில்லாமையால் பணிவன அவனை அங்கீகரியாத யாதொரு யாரிது
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வயசுக்குள்ளே பதினாறு வயசு நிறைந்திருந்து தொண்டு செய்து கொண்டு
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முன்பட்டிருந்தார்கள். அவர்களுக்கு மெழுதியாதகிறதாக எண்ணுகிறார்கள்
யானே. என்னத்துபத்தொன்பது வயசு நடப்பது [illegible] வேட்டும்
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க்கிறேன். மேலும் சிமாறிலுக்காரியங்களெல்லாம் அதனை பாத்
த்தவர்களுடைய கணம் போகுதேயே ஆகிலும் எனக்கு சிரசாயவசிச்சுக்
கொண்டு சகடுபடித்தும் இந்தகுறையாதிருயாமல் மனமே செது
திருவடிக்கொண்டு வருகிறதுதும் தவர்களுடைய சிறுமையாலே
என்றுவல்லமையுண்டு. ஆகச்சே என்றாயா. ஞானிக்கு
இதிலிருக்குமரக்காயாடுத்து அனபோல. லாபத்தில் இனிவரப்போகாக்க
ண்டு சிலாவாக்கள் கையெழுத்து முத்திரையுடனே. இதுன்றுமுட்டுக்கு
மைசாக்ஷதத்தரமாபடிக்கயாயா பெரியின் கிட்ட செய்து கொண்டு
பண்ணிச்சாகவாதாளான பாவாது கொடுத்திருந்தில. இவைஎல்லாவற்றும்
பதினெட்டுசாவதாகிறையும் கண்டுபட்டுக் கெழுதிக்கொள்ள யட்டிக்கி என்ன
தாயா அதுபரவரும்வந்தச மித்தாரியும் ஆனதையும் அவர்களை சொந்த
அந்தக்கிளை முதலான பிருத்சக்களையும் சாக்ஷாதமான பெரிய சாட்சியம
படையுடையவாளா. தவதி வேசுக்களையும் என்னதக் கொடுத்து - ஆண்டவரே
பெயராலே யக்கா தனதன்னுடையதும் தமக்குமே தன்சமித்தாரிக்கும்.
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To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

I return the Rowannah enclosed in your letter of the 4th Instant, it having been examined with the Register in my Cutcherree and found to be correct: being an exchanged Rowannah it is not written on stampt Paper agreeably to Clause 5th Section II of Regulation VIII A.D. 1808 –

Cucherry of the Collector of Tanjour
13th November 1812 –

(Signed) J. Wallace
Collr. of Tanjour

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Tourmcoorchee
Collatoor
Melloor
Maddura
Terrimungalum
Culputty
Nillaputty
Skoilpatoor
Soladeram
Shankanacoil

Sir,

I have the honor to insert in the Margin for your information the names of the stages by which the undermentioned Troops will march through the Zillah of Madura – Detachment of Native Infantry 50 Strong –

This Detachment will arrive at the first inserted stage on or about the 23d Instant –

Dy. Mr. Genl's Office in the S. D.
Trichinopoly 17th November 1812

(Signed) Benj. Nun
Dy. Mr. B. S. D.

To the Collector of Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I shall reach Carroor on the 23d Instant with a Detachment of 50 men on their March to Pallamcottah to join the 1st Battn.

17th

17th Regiment N. I. and I request that you will give orders that I may be supplied with the necessary articles of Provision on the March thro' your District –

(Signed) S. McCormick Lieut.
& Adjt. 1st/17th N.I. Comg. Detacht.

Salem 18th November 1812 –

Commissary Generals Office

To Rous Peter Esqr. Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th Instant and in return=ing the draft which it enclosed, I beg leave to refer you to the circular letter addressed by the accountant General to all Collectors under date the 14th of May 1811 pres=cribing the manner in which advances of cash made for Cavalry supplies are to be adjusted, Vizt. by a draft upon me of the Commissariat officer on whose account the supplies may have been made –

Fort St. George 19th Novr. 1812 –

(Sigd) W. Morison
Comy. Genl.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Madura –

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that the Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to confirm the permission granted to your Head assistant Mr. Jessup to proceed, for the benefit of his health, to Columbo –

Fort St. George
19th November 1812 –

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In conformity with XVII Section of Regulation I. 1812 I transmit 61 Rowannahs under your seal and signature, received at the Choukies of Tanjour in the last Month — (Signed) J. Wallace

Cutcherry of the Collector of Tanjour 19th Novr. 1812. Collr.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 12th Instant, I have to request that you will not delay beyond the 25th of next Month, the remittance to the General Treasury of such part of your Collections as may be realized on that despatching as soon afterwards as possible the remainder of the sum, which you were directed on the 4th Instant to send down, to the Presidency

Fort St. George Accountt. Gl. office (Signed) Geo: Garrow

20th November 1812. A. Genl.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

A Letter from the Chief Secretary to Government having received (of which the accompanying is a copy) directing the Judge and Magistrate to draft a Regulation, for the Establishment of a more efficient Police in the Zillah of Madura, and also stating in Para 32 that the Collector will be directed to give every possible information; I have in conformity to the above mentioned Para, to request that you will furnish me with a list of such servants as are alluded to in Para 9 of the Secretary's letter, who may receive allowances, whither

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in money, grain, or Land, from the Circar in your Collectorate

This statement from Paras 10, 11, 12 I consider is not only meant to be furnished from such parts of the District as may be under your immediate management, but also from the Zemindaries or Talooks which have been permanently settled, of which probably no account of the kind has heretofore been taken: and in the obtaining of which, much time and some difficulties may occur, but as the Statement has long been delayed, being called for I trust you will now oblige me by giving directions for every exertion to be used to furnish it as early as possible and on receipt hereof favor me with a letter stating by what time you conjecture it may be prepared -

(Signed) J. Long
Judge & Magte

Ramnad 21st November 1812.

Revenue Department.

To the Collector of Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

I beg leave to remind you that your accounts for the Month of October are not yet received in this Office, and to request that they may be forwarded without delay -

(Signed) Geo: Garrow
Account Genl

Fort St. George Accountt. Genls. Office 23d. Novr. 1812.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 12th Instant, and to acquaint you that the Board authorise the confiscation and sale of the smuggled goods noticed in the Statement accompanying that letter and the

the distribution of the proceeds according to the Regulations-

Fort St. George 23d. Novr. 1812-

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secrety.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to insert in the Margin for your information the names of the Stages by which the undermentioned Troops are now on the March through the Zillah of Madura Detachment Native Infantry 44 Strong-

Theilpatore
Nullaputty
Culloopputty
Teroomungalom
Madura
Teramboor
Mellore
Collatore
Tourmcoorchy-

This Detachment may be expected to reach Madura about the 28th. Instant-

This Communication should have been made to you at an earlier period had I been sooner apprized of the stages by which Detachment is proceeding-

Dy. Mr. Bd's Office in the S.D. Trecy. 25th. Novr. 1812-

(Signed) Benj. Nun
Dy. Mr. B. S.D.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you I am marching through your District with a Detachment 2d. Battalion 19th. Regiment N. I. with Prisoners I shall therefore be obliged by your giving orders to the Peons to supply the men with what they may require-

Chinnumputty, Novr. 25, 1812-

(Signed) Wm. Dyneby Lieut.
Com. g Detacht. 2d. Bn. 19th. Rt. N. I.

Revenue Department

To the Collector of Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

Para 1st. I request that in bringing to account in your Monthly account Current, the Military Bills in favor of the Paymaster, you will specify in the body entry the date of their discharge - observing the same rule with regard to the Bills drawn upon your Treasury for commercial Advances-

2. Care must be taken observe invariably the

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Head of "Military General Books" for all advances to the Military Department, and to avoid the irregularity which I sometimes see in your accounts, of entering them under the Heads of "Military Paymaster General" and "Military Department," the former office having been long since abolished, and united with this Department— (Signed) Geo. Garrow
Accountt. Genl.

Fort St. George Accountt. Gl. office, 25th Novr. 1812

To the Collector at Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, I shall arrive at Madura tomorrow on my route to Quilon with a Detachment of the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment Native Infantry under my charge Escorting Prisoners to Quilon— May I request you will be so good as give the necessary orders to your people at the Different Villages, I may pass through, to supply the Detachment with necessary articles they may be in want of, such as rice &c &c &c—

Camp at Mellore, Novr. 26th 1812— (Signed) H. A. Miller Lieut.
1st Bn. 8th Regt. Comg. Detacht.

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9th Section XVII of Regulation I 1802 I have the honor to forward 211 Rowannahs granted by you, and received at the Chauchies of Trichinopoly in the Month October last—

Trichinopoly 26th November 1812— (Signed) Geo. F. Travers
Coller.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura—

(Circular) Para 1st. Sir,

The Petitions presented at the Presidency, being generally unaccompanied with the endorsement of the

the Collectors to whom all Petitions are required to be addressed in the first instance, and the Board having reason to believe that Petitions bearing the endorsement of Collectors are sometimes withheld, because unfavorable to the parties, I am directed to desire, with the view of obviating the inconvenience to which this proceeding gives rise that you will pay particular attention to Sections 53. 54 and 55 of Regulations II A D 1803. and consider them applicable to you in cases where petitions may still be presented to on Matters not coming under the immediate cognizance of the Zillah Court.

2. I am further directed to desire that a return may be made monthly in the annexed form, of all petitions received heard and decided on in which return, a transcript of the endorsement on all petitions dismissed must be entered with an abstract of the complaint in the Petition so endorsed.

3. The Board also direct me to call your attention to the necessity of affording the means of easy access to you by Petitioners and of giving an early decision on their representations. The duty of enquiring into complaints still under the cognizance of Collectors may in the opinion of the Board with propriety be delegated to assistants to whom it will afford an opportunity of perfecting themselves in the native language.

4. The Board will expect that no unnecessary delay occur in giving Petitioners a hearing.

Fort St. George 26th November 1812. (Signed) W. Oliver.
Secretary

Form of a Register for Petitions on Revenue Subject.

Number on the Register	Date of receipt	Names of the Petitioners	Subject of Complaint	Proceedings on the Complaint & Decision	Date of Dismissal or Decision	Remarks
1	2.	3.	4	5.	6.	

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura.

Sir,

My Pay having been stopped since August last inconsequence of instructions sent to you by the Civil Auditor. I on my return from Bengal made a representation to Government on the subject, and beg leave herewith to forward two letters from the Secretary, one dated the 25.th February 1812 shewing from what time my leave was granted, and the second the determination of Government with regard to my & allowances and which as some time has now elapsed since I left Madras, and no letter has been received & from the Civil Auditor, I have to request you will consider as authority and disburse my pay accordingly — receipts for the same being herewith transmitted.

Ramnad 27th November 1812.

(Signed) J. Long.
Judge & Magte

Judicial Department.

To John Long Esquire
Judge and Magestrate in Zilla
Madura

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th. Instant and to acquaint you that he has

has been pleased to comply with your request that your leave of absence from your station shall be considered as commencing from the 25th of the current Month

(Signed) Fred. Gahagan
Secrety. to Govt.

Fort St. George 25th Feby. 1812.

Ed. (Sd.) H. Holland
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(A true Copy) Signed J. Long
Judge & Magte.

Judicial Department

To John Long Esquire Judge & Magistrate of Madura

Sir,

Para 1st I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated yesterday, soliciting that your allowances may not be affected by your having been absent on leave, nor by your having been absent beyond the period for which leave was granted.

2d. As the rule laid down in the Minutes of Council dated the 8th of November 1808, to which the Civil Auditor has alluded was not in any instance acted upon and as the rule laid down in the Minutes of Council dated the 2d of June last, which is to be enforced in every instance, has been rendered applicable only to the cases of leave of absence granted subsequently to its Date, the Civil Auditor will be informed that your allowances, till the expiration of the leave you obtained, are not to be affected by your absence from your station.

3d. It would have been proper for you to apply for an extension of your leave of absence, on finding that you could not return before it expired and the

the irregularity of your omission, to do so has not escaped the notice of Governor in Council; but, as he is satisfied that it was your desire and endeavour not to exceed the period for which leave had been granted, it has been resolved, as matter of indulgence, that your allowances shall be regulated as if an extension of leave had been duly obtained. For two Months after your leave of absence expired, you will accordingly draw your allowances in full and, from that time till you reach your station, one third of your allowances will be deducted under the rule laid down in the minutes dated the 2d. of June -

(Signed) D. Hill.
Secrety. to Governmt.

Fort St. George 18th. Septbr. 1812. (A true Copy) (Signed) J. Long. Judge & Magte.
Ed. (Sigd) C. Battle.

To the Collector of Madura -

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the Rowanahs issued from your Zillah and received in the Northern Division of Arcot in the Month of October 1812 as pr. enclosed list -

(Signed) H. S. Graeme
Collr.

Chittoor 28th. November 1812.

To the Collector in the District of Madura -

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Trade to request your early attention to the subject of the enclosed Extract from their proceedings under date the 23d. Instant -

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secrety.

Office of the B. of C. Fort St. George 28th. Novr. 1812.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Trade Dated 23d. November 1812 -

As the Quarterly Statements lately received

received from the Collectors in Frontier Districts do not exhibit any Export of Salt, the Board are led to believe that the article has been omitted in consequence of its passing free under regular & permits issued in the Salt Department and therefore not considered as part of the External commerce Trade: To form a correct opinion on the state of the Trade between the Frontier Districts and the adjoining foreign Territories, it is particularly necessary that the article of Salt, which is known to form a considerable part of the Exports from some of the Districts, should be accurately ascertained and inserted in the Quarterly Reports - Ordered that the foregoing remarks be communicated to the Collectors with a request that they will as early as possible Report the Quantity of Salt that has been Exported from their respective Districts during the quarter ending the 31st of July last, and that they will insert the exports of Salt in their Quarterly Statements hereafter -

(a true Extract) Signed. J. Gwatkin
Secrety.

To the Collector of Dindigul and Madura -

Sir,

Herewith I transmit abstract of Bill received from you in the course of the Month of October last -

Fort St. George General Treasury
28th November 1812 -

(Signed) Jas. Cochrane
S. T.

Abstract of Bill received from Mr. R. Peter Collector of Dindigul & Madura in october 1812.

No. of Bill at the Regr.	When received	Date of Bill	By whom Drawn	On whom Drawn	In whose favor	When accepted	@ what sight	Amount
	1812	1812	Transferable Bill					
223.	Octr. 28th	Octr. 22.	R. Peter	Post Mr. General	Sub Treasurer	.....	@ sight	S. Ps. 33 1. 40

(Signed) J. Cochrane
S. T.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward accounts of Judicial expences of the Court in this zillah, for the Month of November 1812, and request that the amount Star Pagodas 2,112.. 19.. 42 may be discharged:

Ramnad 30th Novr. 1812

(Sigd.) G. F. Cherry
Register

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an account of the Police expence of this Zillah for the Month of November 1812 and request that the amount Star Pagodas 913.. 22.. " may be desbursed

(Sigd.) G. F. Cherry
Asst. Magte.

Ramnad 30th November 1812

To the Collector of Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

I request you will transmit to this office with as little delay as may be practicable, an Estimate of your Monthly Gross Collections charges and Net Collections from 1st January to 30th April next, similar in form, to the Estimate called for in my letter of the 31st March last, to which I beg to refer you.

Fort St. George Accountt. Genls. Office
30th November 1812

(Signed) Geo: Garrow
A. Genl.

To the Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

I subjoin for your information, particulars of Bill drawn upon your Treasury the amount of which when due is to be paid and charged to "General Treasury" –

(Signed) Geo: Garrow
Accountt. Genl.

Fort St. George Accountt. General's Office
30th. November 1812 –

Exd. (Sigd.) R. N. B.

No.	Date	In whose favor	Amount P. F. C.
203. –	27th. November 1812 –	Soobaroyen	500.. " .. "

Revenue Department.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura –

Sir,

Para 1st. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letters under Date 6th. and 21st. Instant forwarding Statements of the extent of Cultivation in your District to the end of the Months of September and October last respectively compared with that to the same periods in former fuslies –

2. It is extremely satisfactory to the Board to observe that during the Month of October more than 30,000 Cawnies have been brought under cultivation and they trust that in your future reports you will have occasion to communicate its further extension for though already exceeding that of the late very unfavourable season it falls greatly below the Cultivation in former years –

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

Fort St. George
30th. November 1812 –

Exd. (Sigd.) W. Grant.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Section XVII of Regulation I A. D. 1812. I transmit accompanying a number of Rowanahs as per enclosed list, that have been issued in your District and received at the Sea Ports in the Province of Tanjore.

(Signed) F. Richardson
Coml Resident

Nagore 30th November 1812.

Rous Peter Esqre Collector &c &c

Respectable Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith our Report for the Month of November 1812 in a letter to the acting Surveyor General and humbly beg your goodness will be pleased to Countersign and forward the same.

I herewith also enclose our Pay abstract for the Month of November and beg you will be pleased to order the issue of it.

(Signed) T. Turnbull
Asst. Surveyor

Trippatoor 1st December 1812.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9 Section XVII Regulation I A. D. 1812. I have the honor to forward 3 Rowannahs.

(Signed) C. R. Hargrave
Collr

Durumpoory 1st December 1812.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

I herewith transmit to you my receipt in Duplicate for the amount of the Bills for Charges on a Remittance of Treasure to the Presidency.

Fort St. George General Treasury
1st December 1812.

(Signed) Jas. Cochrane
Sub Treasurer

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

Para 1st It was not known at the time of addressing to you the instructions conveyed in my letter of the 20th ultimo that you had in the course of October, in pursuance of the directions contained in my letter of the 31st August last, despatched to the Collector of Trichinopoly the remainder of the remittance ordered to that place on the 18th of August, a circumstance which ought to have been specially reported at the time the money left your Treasury -

2d. After the despatch of that amount and the payment of the Bills lately drawn upon you, it is plain that unless an extraordinary Collection be made in the early part of this Month your Treasury will not be in a state to remit on the 20th of the Month, a sum which it would be proper to despatch by a separate Escort -

3d. Unless therefore the whole amount originally ordered can be forwarded by the time at first proposed, I request you will reserve the whole until the arrival at your station of a convoy which will leave Tinnevelly for this place about the end of the present Month, under charge of which you will place whatever amount of specie you shall at that period have disposeable -

4. I request you will communicate with Mr. Hepburn as to the probable period of the arrival of the Escort alluded to, at your Treasury, of which circumstance

-stance and of the amount to be remitted you will be pleased
to transmit the earliest information to this office-

(Signed) Geo: Garrow:
Accountt. Genl.

Fort St. George Accountt. Gls. Office
2d. December 1812-

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura at Ramnad

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to send you a corrected account Particulars of Batta paid to Prisoners in October last-

(Signed) J. Long- Judge

Ramnad 2d. December 1812-

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura-

Sir,

As I wish to ascertain the quantity of Marine Salt ostensibly consigned from your Depots to this District, you would greatly oblige by affording me information on this subject for the last fusly, in order that I may contrast it with the actual imports-

If the information, for the period since the introduction, of the Salt Monopoly could be furnished in abstract without inconvenience, it would greatly aid my inquiries-

(Signed) W. Garrow
Collr.

Bhavany 3d. December 1812

To the Collector &c &c &c Madura District

Sir

I have the honor to inform you, that a Detachment of Native Troops under my command will arrive within the jurisdiction of your District on the 7th Instant- The Detachment consists of 300 Men, with followers: The particular places at which supplies will be required- are as follows-

7th.

7th Terremungalum

8th & 9th Madura

10th Sholavundan

11th Ammanaicken polliam

12th & 13th Dindigul

14th Poolainoor

15th Yerracottah

16th Aravacourchy

17th & 18th Coilpetty

19th Carroor — I have gone beyond your District I trust you will attribute it to my not exactly knowing its extent — May I request that the Detacht. may be met at the 1st stage by a Native Officer to accompany it through your District for the purpose of aiding in procuring supplies and of facilitating the March of the Troops — (Sigd) George Scoones

Lieut. & Adjt. Chicacole
Light Infantry Comg. Detacht.

Coilpetty 3d December 1812.

To the Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed by the Judge of the Zillah of Madura, to forward to you, Extract from Causes Number 5211 & 5212 of the Madura Register and number 260 of that of the late Zillah Court of Ramnad, regarding the Age of the young Zemindar of Ramnad —

(Signed) Geo: T. Cherry
Register

Madura Zillah Court
Ramnad, Decer. 3d, 1812

மதுரை சில்லா கோட்டு ரிசிஸ்தரா செம்பர். ஒதுளேயக், டுகுளேயச
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செம்பராவாயனசசியலகவிலாதுத்து - மாதத்து போனு. நணி செய்ம்

ராசெத்துப்போனதாகிய ராமனாதபுரம் ஜெமீன்தார் அண்ணுசாமி
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மேற்படி வியாச்சியத்தில் [illegible]
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சவால் கேள்வி ...... போன ஆவணி மாதத்தில் [illegible] நடந்ததை சொல்லு.
உத்தரவு ...... [illegible] அண்ணுசாமி முதலி ரெண்டு [illegible] யாடத்தில்
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பேர் [illegible] போட்டார்.

கே. ...... [illegible] சொன்னீரே அதற்கு வயசு யென்ன [illegible]
உ. ...... (௰) (௰௨) வயசிருக்கும்.

கேள்வி ...... அந்த பத்திரம் [illegible] யெழுதியாருந்த
[illegible] அந்த பத்திரத்தில் [illegible] போட்டது [illegible]
[illegible]

உ. ...... அடையாளம் ஆவணி [illegible] யெழுதியாருந்தது தேதி தெரியாது.
[illegible] போட்டதும் அந்த [illegible]

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சொல்லு.

உத்தரவு ...... அடையாளம் ஆவணி மாதம் தேதி தெரியாது [illegible] அண்ணு
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[illegible] சாட்சியா ரெண்டு பேர் போட்டார்.

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செட்டி மற்ற (௪) பேருக்கும் இருந்த வியாச்சியத்தில் [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

(சரியான நகல்) Signed/ Geo: F. Cherry
Regr.

To Rous Peter Esqr. Collector &c &c

Respectable Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you that on the 18th of November I despatched a Lascar to Akin, with the amount of his allowances, and am sorry to complain that Akin, had with a malicious intent, beat the Lascar very severely with blows and by a Rattan, in such manner that he was induced to detain the Lascar to remain

there

there with him for upwards of 10 Days without returning the Lascar to me immediately - As his conduct in this respect has been often observed in using violence to the Inhabitants, and Cherasdars, threatening them with blows; in order that such evil practices may be avoided by him, by being brought to a severe censure of your displeasure, I take the liberty of bringing this to your notice, that in future it may deter him, from a repetition of similar misconduct - I have been induced last Month to replace two Lascars, that were Employed under him owing to the frauds committed by them, and on inquiry I was informed that they acted according to the encouragement held to them by him, notwithstanding I discontinued those Lascars, and had two others Employed in their room -

(Signed) T. Turnbull
Asst. Surveyor

Trippatoor 3d. December 1812 -

To the Collector Madura & Dindigul Districts

Sir,

The superintendence of the Manufacture of Saltpetre in the Dindigul Province, Pylany and the Polliams having been placed under this factory, I have to request you will issue orders to all your Chokidars in those Districts to detain any Saltpetre not furnished with a Rowanah from this Office, the Nagore contractor has a balance of Nine Candies of double boiled and forty Candies Crude Saltpetre a Rowanah for that amount from the Nagore Resident. I have to request may be attended to, should not Ibrahim Sahib have one from this Factory -

Stree

Streebattha now the Coimbatore Contractor having experienced considerable loss in the fulfilment of his contract from misconception, may I request positive orders to all your Chokeedars not to detain any Saltpetre that may be sent on his account to Erroad to enable him to deliver on account of his contract the largest quantity possible of Saltpetre by the end of this Month. —

(Signed) Chs. Carpenter
Comt. Resdt.

Salem 4th December 1812. —

To R. Peter Esqre Collector Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Bill for Vaccination allowances for the Month of November —

(Signed) J. Battee
Asst. Surgn. Supt. V. Dindigul

Dindigul 4th December 1812.

Revenue Department.

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

(Circular) Para 1st.

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit to you for your inspection specimens of the new coinage and to desire that all coins tendered to you corresponding with these specimens may be received in payment of the Revenue. —

2. You will bring the value of these coins to account under the head of General Treasury as Cash received therefrom. —

(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Depy. Secrety.

Fort St. George
5th. December 1812. —

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To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity to the Clause 9. Section XVII Regulation I anno 1812 I have the honor to forward you 51 Custom Rowanahs issued from your Office & which have been received here in the Month just expired -

(Signed) J. Hepburn
Collr

Tinnevelly 5th December 1812.

R. Peter Esquire Collector &c &c &c Ramnad

Most Hon'ble Sir

I most humbly beg leave to forward herewith the Monthly accounts of the Post office of Madura for the Month of November 1812 -

Madura Post Office 6th Decer 1812

(Signed) Mootoosawmey
Writer in charge

To the Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

I subjoin for your information, particulars of Bills drawn upon your Treasury the amount of which when due are to be paid and charged to "General Treasury"

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Accountt General

Fort St. George Accountt Genl Office 7th Decr 1812 -

No.	Date	In whose favor	Amount P. f. C.
209	2d Decer 1812.	Soobaroy Pillay	300 - " - "
210	4th Do.	Lava Tonbey of Kelakara	2500 - " - "

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura &c &c &c

Worthy Sir,

I have the honor to forward the account current with the respective vouchers of the Post office & Department in the Zillah of Ramnad for the Month of November 1812.

(Sigd) Tanapah
Post office Writer

Ramnad Post Office 7th Decer 1812 -

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura.

(Circular) Sir, I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to desire that to the quarterly returns of defaulters in Jail forms of which were enclosed in my letter of the 27th August last, a column be added containing the annual rent of the Village or Estate from which the arrear is due.

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secrety.

Fort St. George 14th December 1812.

To the Collector of Madura.

Para 1st. Sir Referring to your letter of the 5th Inst. I beg to remark on the great impropriety of your having continued to render to this office returns of balances differing, as would now appear, so very materially from the actual state of your Treasury.

(Circular instructions to Collectors dated 24th May 1809)

2. You have in your office instructions as to the manner of shewing all charges that are actually disbursed, whether finally brought to account or not, and if the charges to which you allude, could not be entered in the body of the account Current, they might, according to the instructions adverted to, be shewn as an inefficient part of the apparent balance at the foot of the account.

3. Owing to your not having followed this mode of stating the apparent balance of your Treasury, and to your having sent monthly a statement purporting to be an account of the Coins in which the balances of the period was actually composed, I fully depended

depended on the balance of your accounts being a money balance - and presuming on that impression, your Treasury was yesterday reported to Government as being eventually capable of affording a remittance in next Month, for a political purpose, that would probably occasion the orders lately transmitted to you for a remittance to the Presidency, to be superseded -

4th. It will now be necessary to explain to Government that a large proportion of your Funds is not available, and that the expectation I had expressed of your ability to effect the arrangement to which my report referred, is not now likely to be realized -

Fort St. George Accountt. General's office
15th. December 1812 -

(Signed) Geo. Garrow
Accountt. Genl.

To the Collector of Madura

Sir,

In conformity with, XVII Section of Regn. I 1812. I transmit 104 Rowannahs under your Seal and signature received at the Choukies of Tanjour in the last Month -

Cutcherry of the Collector of Tanjour 16th. Decr. 1812

(Signed) J. Wallace
Collr.

To the Collector in the Zillah of Madura at Ramnad

Sir,

Criminal information having been lodged in Court, on oath, against the Amildar of the Salt Departt. and the Choukeydar of Yalayangoody, I have therefore to apprize you, lest the public service should suffer from their absence, that they have been summoned to the Court, to answer to the Complaint -

Magistrate's Office Ramnad 16th. Decr. 1812 -

(Signed) J. Long
Judge & Magte.

To the Collector Madura

Sir,

I transmit herewith a Rowanah issued in your Division and received in the Southern Division of Arcot.

(Signed) J. G. Ravenshaw
Collr

Cuddalore 17th December 1812.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura.

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President & Members of the Board of Revenue to circulate for the General information of Collectors the enclosed Copies of a correspondence with the Collector in Coimbatore, on the subject of the discovery of frauds in the Custom Department by means of the Rowanahs returned to the Collectors, by whom they have been originally issued.

Copy. From Mr. Garrow Dated 29th Novr. 1812. with enclosure. Extract Para 1. 2 & 3. To Do. 17th Decr. 1812.

See Customs

2. The Board direct me to enjoin a particular and Careful adherence to that Section of the Regulation which prescribes the return of Rowanahs, and that you will occasionally report the of the comparison made between these Rowanahs and the accounts in the mode adopted by Mr. Garrow it is not to be expected that every Rowanah should be returned, but if any considerable number issued by you to any particular station, should not be recovered you will report the Circumstance to the Collector of that Station, in order that enquiries may be instituted as to the cause of the omission.

3. If the fraud practiced in Coimbatore in the Collection of the Customs, be carried to an equal extent in other Districts which there is great reason to apprehend it would appear that the sums brought to account, do not.

not amount to much more than one third of that which is or ought to be actually collected the enormity of this abuse calls loudly for correction and the Board expect that the revenue will speedily improve under due exertion on the part of Collectors to check the frauds of the Sayer Servants -

4th The Board also enjoin that Assistant Collectors be actively employed to detect the abuses which there is so much reason to believe exists in this Department -

5th I am directed to take this occasion to observe that as the levy of the Duty on articles of trifling value must be vexatious to individuals in a much greater proportion than it proves beneficial to the Revenue - The Board resolved that Cloth the value of which may not exceed two Rupees shall be exempted from Customs - Cloth however of every description whether exempted from duty or not, must be brought to the Chokey to be Chopped and any piece of Cloth found without the stamp will continue as heretofore liable to confiscation -

6th You will clearly understand that it is not meant to exempt from duty the different species of Cloth of value below two Rupees - large consignments of Cloth of whatever kind will continue to be charged with duty - the exemption above directed is meant to apply to cases only where the value of the whole quantity passed does not exceed two Rupees -

7th The Board are aware that exemptions such as these give an opening to abuse of the indulgence but this circumstance cannot be considered a sufficient reason for withholding it altogether - at the same time they desire that on proof of any such attempt, the party be

never

never afterwards excused from payment of duty.

8th. The Board trust that these orders will be carried into effect so as to afford relief from vexatious demands without materially injuring the revenue from Customs.

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secrety.

Fort St. George 17th Decr. 1812.

To the President and Members of the Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen,

Para 1st. When addressing your Board on the subject of the Customs on the 30th November 1810, I took the liberty of suggesting the necessity of Rowanahs being returned from the Zillah to which they were destined to the Zillah in which they were issued, stating a case which called particularly for such an arrangement.

2. I at the same time took the opportunity of recommending the provisions of the Commercial Regulation against servants guilty of embezzlement or other offences of office.

3. In the Regulation I of 1812 since issued the former of these arrangements is proposed, for, and the result of such provision is the subject of my present address.

4. As a check upon the Choukeydars, the Rowanahs as sent in from the different Collectors are compared, with the "Register of Rowanahs" the "daily" and Monthly "accounts" of each Choukeydar, this comparison leads to immediate detection.

5. The number of Rowanahs returned are small in comparison with that issued, but even

in that number it may be matter of no small surprise to your Board to observe to what extent frauds have been committed – I beg leave to bring to your attention

inclosure the enclosure which is a correct extract of the audit of the Choukey accounts –

6. It requires little explanation from me, In 210 – Rowanahs which on the face of them bear the certificate of having paid S.R. 1230 – 17 – 77 the sum of S.R. 490 .. – .. 19½ only has been carried to the Company's account and S.R. 740 .. 17 .. 57½ have been made away with by the Choukeydars – This proportion is considerable but it is to be observed that this is only a proportion of the Rowanahs, and I have no doubt in my own mind that this species of fraud was universal before there were the means of detection –

7. I am sorry to say that excepting dismission there is no other punishment awarded these people – The Regulation, I, Section, XXIII of 1812 – renders them liable to the provisions of Regulation XXXIII 1802 which enjoins the calling upon them, for "a demand of the balance" and in case of non-payment to attach and further to imprison; How far their embezzlements by the present species of fraud, can be called a "balance" I am not fully competent to judge, but even were there no difficulty on this point yet it may be supposed that their subsequent frauds may have enabled them to pay up the amount of what the demand may be, in which case they may dismiss themselves with impunity –

8 – In the Regulation XXXIII 1802 – I with deference presume the present species of offences is not intended

intended to be provided for, for if it did, the offender, stands just on as high a footing as a revenue defaulter whose only cause of distress may be his enability to pay owing to adverse seasons; where as the former is guilty of the compound offences of fraud, and breach of trust, and ought I presume to be eminently distinguished by severer & marks of reprobation—

9 Before I proceed further I shall & await your Boards advice how I shall act on this occasion

10 I shall state only that every day brings forward fresh detections of the malpractices which have been committed by these people, and which if generally ascertained would show a very large sum of which Government have been hitherto defrauded—

Bhovany 29th Nov.r 1812. (Signed) W. Garrow Coll.r

Extract of the Audit of account of Customs compared with the Rowannahs sent in from different Stations

Names of the Choukies	Number of Rowannahs	Amount of the Customs entered into the account sent to the Huzoor			Amount of the Customs collected according to the Rowannahs issued			Amount Embezzled by the Choakeydars			Remarks
Luckamanaigumputty	42	158	22	29	256	26	59	98	4	30	
Caroor	27	62	13	41	92	27	75	30	14	34	
Dalavoypett	9	7	28	24	27	21	62¼	19	38	38¼	
Oottampolliam	57	132	22	7½	220	21	6½	87	43	79	
Terpoor	10	57	25	57	108	2	35	50	21	58	
Poodoomalacotta	55	19	14	51	420	13	54	400	44	3	
Darapooram	4	1	4	49	2	8	8	1	3	39	
Moodocurra	4	2	39	70	3	39	51¼	..	44	55¼	
Moolloor	2	48	9	5	98	36	46	50	27	41	
Total	210	490	..	19½	1230	17	77	740	17	57½	

Bhovany 29th November 1812

E. E. (Signed) W. Garrow Collector

(True Copies)

(Signed) W. Oliver Secretary

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... the 29th ultimo, and to transmit
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Section XXV (not XXIII as quoted in your letter) of Regulation I 1812 renders Regulation XXXIII 1802 applicable to the embezzlement of "public money by Custom Servants", the object of the declaratory Section above=mentioned was merely the recovery to the public revenue of the sums temporarily lost to it by the dishonesty of native servants there can be no doubt that where a sum of money is stated in the Rowanah to have been paid, and only a part of that sum has been brought to account, the parties owe a "balance" and against such persons as to your satisfaction may be proved to have been guilty of this offence, you will proceed for the recovery of the sums embezzled under Regulation XXXIII 1802 as if they were revenue Defaulters -

3. It is much to be regretted that the Regu=lations contain no specific provision for the punishment of breach of trust - The mere restoration of the sums embezzled or received and not accounted for is confessedly a very inadequate punishment to persons guilty of these acts; and it is the intention of the Board immediately to frame a Regulation providing specific penalties for acts of embezzlement or fraud, and breach of trust on the

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credit of Government. On further enqui[...] may perhaps find that the holders of the Rowanahs or the owners of the Goods mentioned in the Rowanahs, were in league with him that they had agreed to pay a particular sum for his own use on condition of receiving a Rowanah which should pass their goods in this case they were engaged in an attempt to defraud the Customs, and are subject to the penalties prescribed by Section XXI Regulation I A.D. 1812 and the Magistrate might perhaps consider the provisions of that Section equally applicable to the Choukeydar."

(True Extract) Signed, W. Oliver
Secretary.

To

The Collector Madura

Sir,

In conformity to Clause IX Section XVII Regulation I 1812 I have the honor to forward 8 Rowana issued from your Office.

Tinnevelly
18th December 1812.

(Signed) R. Doug.
Commr. Reside

Madura

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revising Moyen Zabitahs for fusly 1222 deemed it their duty to bring the subject under the notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council —

2. The Board stated to Government that they were of opinion that periodical local personal investi=gations by Collectors and their Assistants into the actual state of their Districts and into the conduct of their servants employed in the Collection of the several branches of the revenue was absolutely necessary and that much public benefit would be derived from Collectors and their Assistant... being enabled by the means of this allowance to have the local personal communication with the public officers an... inhabitants under their authority —

3. Under these considerations the Board determined to recommend that the allowance for Tents sh... be continued at sixty-nine Pagodas ℔ Month to Collecto... and Twenty-five ℔ Month to Assistants — They stated th... they felt confident that this allowance would not in... be permitted to lapse into an addition to the emo...

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4. The Governor in C... to adopt this recommendation, and has acc... directed that tent allowance be not hereafter drawn, except in arrear and on the principle above laid down, you will therefore be guided by these orders and refer annually to the Board your claim to Tent allowance accompanied with the information required to enable the Board to decide on such claim.

5. As it is the wish of the Board to facilitate the local personal investigation acknowledged to be so desirable, they propose to put a liberal construction on the orders of Government and to grant Tent allowance for such period as will fully cover the expense which Collectors and Assistants may incur in keeping up an establishment of tents and in making frequent tours of inspection.

Fort St. George 18th December 1812. (Signed) W. Oliver. Secretary

To the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

In conformity to Clause 9. Section XVII Regulation I 1812. I have the honor to forward 153 Rowanas granted by you and received at the Chowkies of Tuckinny

and ...

as may ...

while passing

...etam 21st December 1812

To the Collector in Dindigul ...

Sir,

In reply to your le... 6 Instant. I am directed by the President an... of the Board of Revenue to communicate to you their sanction, subject to the confirmation of Government for the disbursement of Pagodas 17. 22. 40. for making boxes for the purpose of lodging the daily proceeds of the sale of Salt at the different pans

Fort St. George 21st Decr. 1812.

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secrety.

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

I am directed by the President & Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 9th Instant, and to acquaint you that the Board authorize the confiscation and sale of the smuggled goods noticed in the Statement accom=panying that letter and the distribution of the procee... according to the Regulations

Fort St. George

...st December 1812

(Signed) W. Oliver
Secretary

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ction XVII Regulation I a.d.

(Signed) R.S. Graem
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lector of the Madura District.

I addressed a letter to you dated Sam
, Trichinopoly District, 4th Instant requiring a
Native Officer to meet and accompany the Detachment
of the 1st Battalion 17th Regiment N. I. under my orders
thro' your District, purposing to arrive at the northern
limits by Veeramally, &c &c, on, or about 8 Instant —
application on this occasion, has been regulated by a
General order of His Excellency the Commander in Chief,
dated 10th April 1812 — by that same order, I am in duty
bound, to report to His Excellency the issue of correspondence
with Collectors, Magistrates &c &c &c on the March of Troops
As I have not been furnished with the Native Officer in
question, may I request you will oblige me by commu-
nicating to me, the reasons that may have caused th
occurrence — I shall leave Madura immediately fo
Pallamcottah.

(Signed) Alex. Cowan,
Comg. Detacht. 1st Bn. 17th R.

mp at Madura
t December 1812.

To R. Peter Esqre. Collector Madura

Sir,

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To the Collector of Madura District

Sir,

I shall enter your District with a Detachment of the 1st Battalion 17th Regiment N. I. on or about the 8th Instant proceeding to Pallamcottah, and request I may be furnished with a Native Officer of your Establishment to Conduct the Detachment thro' your District. I shall enter by the Northern Boundary of Veeramally &c. &c. from Trichinopoly.

Camp Samiaveram
1st December 1812.

(Signed) Alex. Cowan Lieut.
Commanding Detachment
1st Battalion 17th Regiment N.I.